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NEWS SUMMARY

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.

Russians and Japanese at Port Arthur arranged for a truce to bury their dead.

The Russian second Pacific squadron is coaling off the coast of French Somaliland.

FOREIGN.

French Catholics favor the same attitude between church and state as exists in the United States.

The czar has given permission for expelled persons who have been elected to the Finnish diet to return for the sessions.

DOMESTIC.

Erie may yet have a chance to secure the naval training station.

Cotton dropped $2.50 a bale, causing a panic in the New York exchange.

Congressman Hemenway will succeed Mr. Fairbanks in the United States senate.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick collapsed in New York after the sheriff had served an attachment on her personal effects.

Wine is cut out of the program at the launching of the Tennessee.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson gives practical demonstration of secrecy attending preparation of cotton reports.

New iron ore deposits are being sought in the northern regions.

A Pittsburgh man lost his life, in an attempt to save others he believed perishing in a burning building at St. Louis.

Correspondents doubt whether there has been real fighting at Zeigler.

Eighty persons are seriously injured in a wreck on the Missouri Pacific.

PENNSYLVANIA.

William H. Keyser of Philadelphia has been selected by Republican leaders to be floor master of the senate in the next legislature.

Popular demand said to exist for changing form of present ballot.

A measure to supplant the present act governing state printing will be first bill before the new legislature.

The combined pluralities of Pennsylvania congressmen was less than that of President Roosevelt in this state.

LOCAL.

In consideration of the marked general interest in the educational proverb contest, the last illustrations of which appear today, and in accord with numerous requests a second contest will be inaugurated.

Orderly crowd assembles at the cremation of Allegheny anarchist.

Police Capt. Wilson of Allegheny held for court on another graft charge.

Fine strike reported from Missouri property of Pittsburgh Lead and Zinc Company.

John Henry Jahn kindly treated in criminal court. Does not occupy prisoner's dock like ordinary individuals.

Receiver appointed for the Highland Brewing Company.

Mayor W. B. Hays is chosen chairman of the Citizens city committee.

Director Bigelow says common council will meet Wednesday to pass filtration contract ordinances.

Lodges of sorrow to be generally held by Elks today.

FINANCIAL.

New York stock market buoyant, under the leadership of United States Steel and Amalgamated Copper. Cotton market broke violently to the lowest price of the year. Pittsburgh Coal common advanced to the highest price of the year on large transactions. New York bank statement showed a further large decrease in loans and a slight increase in surplus reserve. Reports of drought hold wheat firm.

SPORTING.

The local football season was finally wound up yesterday with some lively games between well-matched teams.

Battling Nelson claims that he will defeat Jimmy Britt inside of 12 rounds and be the undisputed champion.

The club owners of the National and American leagues are already arranging for the spring training trips for their teams.

Eighteen teams are ready to take part in the six-day bicycle race which starts in New York tonight.

Some of the liveliest boxing bouts seen here in years were given at the athletic smoker in Evans' hall last night.

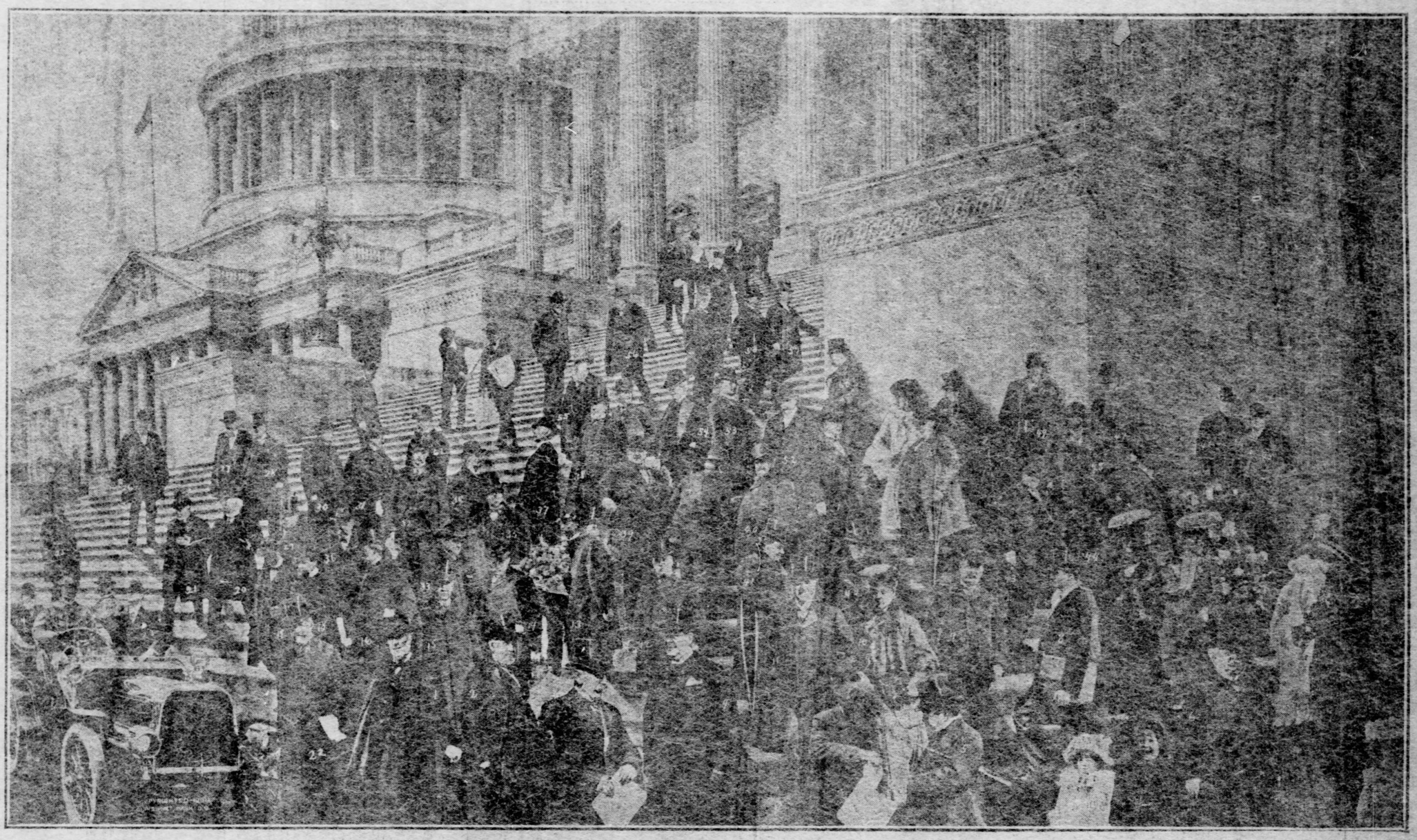
EDITORIAL SECTION—24 Pages.
(Annual Book Number.)
Freaks of the Types, by George Seibel.
Children and Poetry, by Willa Sibert Cather.
Duels, French and Frenchy, by Algernon C. Dougherty.
An Arab Walt Whitman, by Claude Mercer.
The Congressional Library at Washington, by Louis W. Strayer.
Author's New Year's Resolutions, by Aloysius Coll.
Mr. Dooley on Banting, by Finley Peter Dunne.
The Cop and the Anthem, by O. Henry.
Authors Who Died During 1904.
Some New-Born Authors.
The Holiday Book-Buyer's Guide.
New Books for Young Folks.
Plays and Players, by Charles M. Bregg.
The Quiet Observer, by Erasmus Wilson.
Financial Review, by John O. Baglin.

HOME JOURNAL SECTION—16 Pages.
Editorial—Sophie Gates Kerr.
Housewives' Reciprocity Bureau.
I Go A-Gossiping—Mistress Pepys.
Lessons in Jiu-Jitsu, No. III., by Elizabeth Beveredge.
"A Fall from the Clouds," a story, by Rupert Hughes.
Little Poems of Greater Pittsburgh, No. 50, "Anastasia, the Lady Kleptomaniac."
"How Lady Gowan Was Entertained," by Jeannette Cooper.
Home-Made Christmas Gifts, by Sarah Graham Hay.
Dance Gowns and Dinner Dresses, by Catherine Howard.
Practical Household Topics—Menus for the Week, Seasonable Recipes.
The Early Winter Modes, by Mme. Fullerton.
Washington's Historic Oaks and Elms, by Roberta V. Bradshaw.
Beatrix Lee's Counsel.
At Story Telling Time.

COMIC SECTION—Four Pages.
Weary Walker's Flat and A Runaway Ride.
Sammy Sneeze and Betsy Bouncer.
Foxy Grandpa and the Boys.
Buster Brown Prepares Papa's Bath.

When in New York stop at Gregorian hotel, 35th st., west, near 5th avenue.

STEPS OF THE CAPITOL PRESENT AN ANIMATED SCENE WHEN CONGRESS ASSEMBLES



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60. Japanese minister.
61. Senator Bacon, Georgia.
62. Senator Fairbanks, Indiana.
63. Mr. Hough, Washington, D. C.
64. Austria, Hungary, ambassador's wife.

TRUCE DECLARED AT PORT ARTHUR

Desperate Belligerents Cease for the Purpose of Burying Their Dead.

BALTIC FLEET AT ZIBUTIL

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

TOKYO, Dec. 3.—The Port Arthur besiegers report that yesterday bearers of flags of truce in the direction of the left wing arranged for a partial armistice to extend from 10 o'clock in the morning to 4 in the afternoon for the removal of the dead and wounded.

CHEFOO, Dec. 3.—Japanese preparedness for an encounter with the Russian second Pacific squadron was seen by officers of the French steamer Binh-Thuan, which left Japan November 30 and arrived here today. Near Sasebo they saw the Japanese battleship Mikasa unscarred and evidently fully repaired. Forty miles south of the Shantung promontory they sighted the Japanese battleship Asahi similarly rehabilitated. She was steaming north.

The repair work of the Japanese fleet has been progressing with great secrecy since August. The torpedo boat and torpedo boat destroyers flotilla is reported to have been maintained in good shape. The boats are mostly at the Japanese naval base, and at Port Dalny.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 3.—Gen. Sakharoff telegraphing yesterday reports a successful reconnaissance by sharpshooters Thursday night in the direction of the Japanese entrenchments southwest of Tungoon (Tungaoon). The Russians first bayonetted a Japanese outpost of 30 men, surmounted barbed-wire entanglements, entered the entrenchments and bayonetted another 20 Japanese.

Reinforcements coming up attacked the sharpshooters with hand grenades, forcing the Russians to retire, with five dead and 14 wounded.

Lieut. Col. Valery Havard, the new American military attache, has arrived here. Capt. Della Corda, the Spanish military attache with Gen. Rennenkampff, passed through St. Petersburg today on his way home for the winter. He left the front because he considers that there is little prospect of general operations this winter. The captain says the morale of the Japanese is deteriorating with the advent of the cold weather, which they appear unable to endure.

MUKDEN, Dec. 3.—Don Cossacks last night captured a Japanese battery near Lidiantoun.

HARBIN, Dec. 3.—Lieut. Gen. Gripenberg, commander of the Second Manchurian army, arrived here this evening.

JIBUTIL, FRENCH SOMALILAND, Dec. 3.—A Russian fleet, consisting of 13 warships and nine transports, in command of Rear Admiral Voelkersam, is anchored outside this harbor, coaling.

Kills Wife and Himself.

DAYTON, O., Dec. 3.—Charles Fraver, aged 67, after he had shot and killed his wife today, shot and killed himself. The couple had lived happily together for many years and the cause of the tragedy is a mystery.

PITTSBURGH MAN DIES STRIVING TO SAVE LIVES

Enters Burning Building, Believing Nurses Were Perishing. Body Found Later.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 3.—John Roberts, aged 28, whose home is in Pittsburgh, and who since last June has been employed as fireman in the Missouri Baptist sanitarium, lost his life this morning in the fire which almost completely destroyed the nurses' dormitory attached to the sanitarium, while bravely trying to save some of the inmates, whom he thought might be asleep in the building.

When the weather became so cold this fall it became part of his duty every morning at 4:30 o'clock to go to the nurses' home and rebuild the furnace fire. After doing the work this morning he returned to the hospital and was attending to his other duties when he saw the nurses' building was afire.

He ran to the house to render whatever assistance he could. He saw several women leap from windows and thought the burning building might contain others who had been overcome by smoke. He procured a ladder and leaned it against the side of the house. Then he ascended, disappearing through a second-story window. This was the last time he was seen alive. His corpse, burned to a crisp, was recovered several hours later, on the third floor.

MENTIONING FATHER'S NAME MAY SAVE BOY'S LIFE

Stimulates Heart of Lad Who Drank Poison After Quarrel With His Sire.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CORRY, Dec. 3.—"I'll make you feel sorry for this!" declared Archie Purdy, aged 18, to his father, with whom he had had a quarrel tonight. The boy left his father, borrowed a quarter from a brother without stating what he wanted it for, and then bought a bottle of laudanum.

Appearing again before his father, he cried: "Here goes!" at the same time draining the contents of the bottle. He fell in a stupor. Dr. W. G. Elston was hurriedly summoned, and the boy was removed to the hospital, where a stomach pump was used. The physicians, in working over the boy, discovered that every time his father's name was mentioned he became violently excited.

In order to stimulate his heart action they purposely referred to the father from time to time, and this measure may be the means of saving his life, as late tonight it was stated at the hospital that young Purdy stood a chance of recovery.

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The Last of This Series

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STILL A CHANCE FOR ERIE SITE

Fight to Be Made Against Locating Naval Training Station at Lake Bluff.

PLACE IS WITHOUT A HARBOR

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau.
Room 19, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.

The fight to prevent the adoption of the report of the commission to select a site on the Great Lakes for a naval training station has begun. The site chosen by the commission was Lake Bluff, Ill., 30 miles from Chicago, and the representatives of Erie, Put-in-Bay and other lake sites have determined to prevent the adoption of that location.

Senator Alger of Michigan, called upon the president today and filed a protest against Lake Bluff. He said afterward in discussing the matter that Lake Bluff was the least adapted for the purpose of any site offered. There is no harbor there, he claims, deep enough to float a row-boat, and if the government builds the training station at that point it will have to make a harbor which will involve the expenditure of millions of dollars.

Lake Bluff won in the competition by offering to give the government 172 acres of land free of charge. This land is valued at $1,000 an acre, but it is claimed by the supporters of the other sites that it will prove poor economy in the end to accept the offer, since the location of the institution at that place will necessitate such a large expenditure for a harbor.

It is also stated that Erie, Put-in-Bay and other candidates would have met the offer of free land had they been given the opportunity, but that the commission closed their hearings and made the award as soon as Lake Bluff's offer was in.

L. W. STRAYER.

HAVE LOST THREE CHILDREN.

The Home of Braddock Mill Worker Has Been Sadly Depleted by Death in a Short Time.

Within nine days death has removed from the family of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wiehagen, 229 Franklin street, North Braddock, three children, and but one child remains. The third death occurred yesterday morning when Rose, a year and eight months old, died from pneumonia. Two little girls, Bernadine, aged five and a half years, and Gertrude, three years old, died Wednesday a week ago.

The father is a roller in the rod mills of the American Steel and Wire Company's plant at Braddock.

HEROIC PATRICK KING.

Risked Life to Save Child from Almost Certain Death.

Patrick King, flagman at the Eighth street crossing of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, Braddock, played the part of a hero last evening. A team of mules took fright at a locomotive and ran over the Eighth street crossing. A child of 3 years attempted to cross the tracks in front of the frightened animals.

Flagman King rushed under the mules' heads and threw the child from under their feet just as the train struck the wagon.

MANY PERSONS SERIOUSLY HURT

Broken Rail Wrecks Passenger Train on the Missouri Pacific Road.

PULLMAN GOES INTO A CREEK

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

HOLDEN, MO., Dec. 3.—Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 1, westbound, from St. Louis to Kansas City, was wrecked at the water works bridge, two miles east of here, this afternoon, resulting in the injury of 45 passengers, 10 of them seriously. No person was killed.

The accident was caused by a broken rail which projected from the track, catching the first coach behind the mail car, throwing it from the track down a 20-foot embankment, and causing two other coaches, a Pullman and the diner, to follow.

The broken rail was on the bridge, and the rear Pullman rolled off the bridge into the creek below. Its passengers were all seriously injured. Two old ladies imprisoned in this car were taken out at the top, after holes had been made with axes.

The engine, two baggage cars and the mail car passed the bridge in safety and remained on the track, but all the remainder of the train was derailed.

GRAFTED LIVE RABBIT.

Boy Refused to Take an Anesthetic When Placed on the Operating Table at a Hospital.

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Pleading with the doctors not to administer an anesthetic, Cornelius Post, 15 years old, went to the operating room of St. Mary's hospital this morning to undergo an operation. His plea was heeded and for three-quarters of an hour the boy underwent the pain with scarcely a murmur, and watched the surgeons while they scraped away the diseased flesh and grafted on the wound a portion of the skin of a live rabbit, which was chloroformed and bound to the boy's leg.

Two years ago the boy was burned by a piece of phosphorus.

WOUNDED MEN POUR INTO EASTERN SIBERIA.

CHITA, EASTERN SIBERIA, Dec. 3.—The very great number of sick or wounded soldiers here has overwhelmed Trans-Baikalia. Some 4,000 beds which have been provided in the mountains surrounding Chita are filled up. The number of hospital trains conveying wounded men to Western Siberia, which heretofore have been averaging 15 monthly, each having a capacity of 250 patients, will be increased.

Vigilant Mine Saved.

CALIFORNIA, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Hard work saved the Vigilant mine of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company from destruction by fire, due to defective insulation, this morning. Over 300 men were at work in the mine at the time, but none were injured. The outer workings of the mine were destroyed.

THREE MINERS DASHED TO DEATH ON ROCKS

Hurled 700 Feet and Bodies Mangled, Owing to Breaking of a Cable.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 3.—The breaking of a cable at the Loop river mines at Tuloequon, near Welch, this morning dashed three miners on the rocks 700 feet below, killing them all instantly. A searching party, an hour later, found their bodies crushed and mangled beyond recognition on the rocks at the bottom of the precipice. The names of the dead are:

JOHN WINTERS.
HARRY WOLBURN.
HENRY CLAY, colored.

The accident caused a general cessation of work in the mines, the 30 men employed refusing to work until after the burial of the dead. The mine superintendent in speaking of the breaking of the cable says that it was unexplainable.

INTERVENING HEIRS DIE.

Thus a Kentucky Estate Valued at $75,000 Descends to Grand-daughter Living in Tarentum.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Two suits were filed today in the United States court, Covington, for the settlement of an estate valued at about $75,000, owned by the late John Gray. It consists of more than half a block of business property in Covington, and 5,100 acres of land in Lewis county, Ky.

The plaintiffs in both suits are Daisy Gray Endsley, granddaughter of John Gray, and her husband, Andrew Deak Endsley, Tarentum, Pa. Mary Gray, a daughter of the decedent, died in 1892, leaving no child; Jane Gray, the widow, died in 1893; Robert Gray, a son, died in 1892, and James Gray, another son, in 1901, hence the grandchild inherits the estate. The action is brought for a sale and division of proceeds.

FRANKLIN MEN SELL MINE FOR $1,000,000

FRANKLIN, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Charles W. Mackey, counsel for the Royal-Oro Mining Company, composed of Franklin capitalists, announced today the sale of the Mulattos property of the company in Mexico to Col. William C. Green, of the Green Consolidated Copper Company. The consideration is $1,000,000. The property was originally a grant from the Mexican government and contains deposits of lead, copper, silver and gold.

Mine Near Brownsville on Fire.

BROWNSVILLE, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The Knox mine just south of town has been burning since yesterday. Futile efforts have been made to extinguish the flames. The Knox is owned by the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company, but has not been in operation because of low water. If all other means fail the mine will be flooded to put out the fire. How the blaze started is unknown.

Nan Patterson Jury Called.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A special panel of 200 talesmen, from whom a jury will be chosen for the second trial of Nan Patterson, charged with the murder of Caesar Young, has been summoned to appear in the supreme court, Monday.

MRS. CHADWICK HAS COLLAPSED

Took to Bed When Her Personal Effects Were Attached in New York.

ABANDONS HER TRIP TO OHIO

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau.
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 3.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick is in a state of almost total collapse in her apartment in the Holland house. Immediately following the service on her of papers in a writ of attachment obtained by Louise & Company, Fifth avenue milliners, because of the return from Cleveland of a check for $1,000 marked "no funds," she sent for Dr. A. A. Moore and spent the remainder of the day in bed.

To such an extent has the strain of her difficulties told on her that she became hysterical this afternoon, and all plans that she had made to return to Cleveland have been for the time abandoned. She had intended leaving on Friday night, and went so far as to reserve a drawing-room on the train.

As long as this attachment stands it will prevent her from taking any of the contents of her three large trunks or any of her personal belongings scattered about her apartment, except such as would be considered legally as necessaries of life. There is nothing, however, to prevent her from leaving.

Newton May Pay Small Debts.

One of the most remarkable phases of this remarkable case is the apparent unconcern of Herbert Newton's attorneys over either the appointment of a receiver in Cleveland for all of Mrs. Chadwick's effects or the attachment of her belongings here.

"It is not worrying us in the slightest because a receiver has been appointed," said P. W. Carver, counsel for Newton. "We have neither changed our position nor has the position itself changed," he declared.

"But will not the appointment of a receiver tie up all of her assets so that she will not be able to prefer Mr. Newton over her other creditors?"

"If the claims of the three persons who applied for the appointment of a receiver are paid that proceeding would have to be dropped, wouldn't it?" he replied with a smile.

"Then it is to be inferred that Mr. Newton, in order to protect himself, will settle with these small creditors, with the result that the receiver in Cleveland will be discharged?"

"You must draw your own conclusions from what I have said," he replied.

Found Only a Handbag.

Deputy Sheriff Frank C. Rinn said tonight that he served the attachment on Mrs. Chadwick personally today after first serving it on a clerk and Manager Harriman of the Holland house.

"I then searched the room as well as I could, but all I could find there was a small handbag and the woman's hat and jacket. We have been informed that Mrs. Chadwick has changed her apartments in the Holland house three times. We believe that the handbag that I found in her room does not constitute all of her effects. We shall go to the hotel the first thing Monday morning and inform the

management that we want from them a statement of whatever effects they have belonging to Mrs. Chadwick either in the way of valuables deposited in the safe or such as might be contained in her trunks."

Nathan Loeser, who was appointed receiver in Cleveland yesterday, said today that as it would be necessary to bring an action in court to gain possession of Mrs. Chadwick's property, he would undoubtedly defer action for a time, and that before taking further steps he would confer with Mrs. Chadwick's counsel.

Carnegie Name Again.

The suit brought by Herbert D. Newton against Mrs. Chadwick was again continued by Judge Babcock at Cleveland today. The attorneys representing both Mr. Newton and Mrs. Chadwick were in court and requested that the hearing go over for a week. A. F. Sterns, representing Mr. Newton, said the entire matter would doubtless be settled out of court.

Again the name of Andrew Carnegie is projected into the Chadwick mystery. This time a member of the Carnegie family visited the Holland house and asked for Mrs. Chadwick. The man was W. Coleman Carnegie, nephew of the steel king, and inheritor of a great share of the wealth of Thomas Carnegie. It is not known that young Carnegie saw Mrs. Chadwick today. He refused to say anything about the reason of his appearance at the Holland house.

Husband Keeps Silent.

While Mrs. Chadwick continues to be the center of accusations, the mystery concerning Dr. Chadwick, her husband, grows deeper with every day that passes without word from him. He is supposed to be somewhere in Europe, but, it is intimated, even his wife does not know where. Lawyer Powers says Mrs. Chadwick gave him $2,500,000 two years ago. He borrowed $50,000 from Newton, and it was to secure this that some of his wife's notes were given.

He has been represented as a very prominent physician and a man of great wealth on his own account, but one of the Pittsburgh iron men tells a different story of the nature of Dr. Chadwick. "Chadwick, or rather Schadwick, to give his real name," said this gentleman, "owed everything he ever had in the world to this woman. When she met him in Pittsburgh he was just a struggling, obscure German-American physician of a type you can find over here on the East Side. He was a fine looking fellow, of the big blonde type, and the woman fell in love with him.

"He gave up whatever little practice he had after their marriage and it was then that they went to Cleveland. She induced her friends to give him a chance, and he built up a good practice. She is a remarkable woman. She could make a Gould out of a ribbon-counter clerk."

Thinks Carnegie Notes Genuine.

CANTON, O., Dec. 3.—Judge Albaugh of Welty & Albaugh, counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, admits that he was in communication with his client last Friday night.

"Do you still believe that Mrs. Chadwick will be apt to settle her financial difficulties?" was asked.

"Yes; I am confident everything will come out all right in the end. From the very first I have urged Mrs. Chadwick to meet her obligations to the Oberlin bank just as speedily as she can arrange to do so."

"Do you think the alleged Carnegie notes mentioned in the case are genuine?" was asked.

"I have no reason to doubt it. I do not think they are forgeries."

DR. JOLLY IS PERPLEXED.

Cannot Account for Dr. Chadwick's Two Marriages in Same Year.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Jolly, pastor of Concord Presbyterian church, who married Dr. Chadwick and Mrs. Cassie Hoover at the Hotel Anderson in this city in February, 1897, is perplexed over the report that Dr. Chadwick was married again in Windsor, Canada, in August of the same year.

"I cannot establish an alibi for them in this second marriage," said Dr. Jolly. "I do not know what to make of it. However, my friendliness for the family has made me believe in them and I have not changed my attitude. I think the stand of Mrs. Chadwick's self-appointed accusers is most questionable. Here is a woman who may have acted unwisely, but who has not yet been convicted. Her husband and his daughter I believe to be in France."

OBERLIN BANK OFFICIAL TO BE ARRESTED TODAY

CLEVELAND, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—It is learned definitely tonight that an Oberlin bank official is to be arrested tomorrow and deputy marshals tonight made arrangements to go to Oberlin on an early train Sunday. The arrest will be made for an alleged violation of the national banking laws.

RELIEF FOR ASTHMATICS.

Phenomenal Results from the Use of the New Austrian Drug.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The thousands suffering from asthma will hail with genuine delight the news that a remedy has at last been discovered, which not only relieves the distress that attends asthma, bronchitis and catarrh, but completely and permanently cures these diseases. The new discovery, known as ascatco, has been unusually successful in the most obstinate cases of asthma, some of them of 20 years' standing. The Austrian dispensary, 6 East Fourteenth street, New York city, is now by special commission supplying ascatco free of charge to every one who writes to them for it.

Carbolic Acid Cake Exploded.

While Lawrence Riott was melting a cake of carbolic acid in his drug store, 62 Washington avenue, last night, the cake exploded, filling the store with the fumes and creating considerable excitement. Some one who thought the store was on fire sent a still alarm to No. 21 engine company, but as there was no fire all the firemen could do was to throw open the windows and doors to let the fumes escape. Riott was not burned, but was forced to flee from the fumes.

Hardenbergh Prepares to Launch Boom.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Ex-Auditor General Hardenbergh made his first step toward launching his boom for state treasurer today when he appeared at his recently purchased property in this city and made preparations for establishing headquarters here.

WHERE SHALL I BUY A PIANO?

Pittsburgh, December 3.—A natural question to ask, but surely if you take thought you will conclude that the wise plan is to buy from a firm that controls the sale of the best pianos and sells you best plain prices. The following are a few of our many NEW and USED piano bargains, guaranteed to be as represented or money refunded; easy payments if wanted; mail orders filled:

Becker Bros. upright, walnut $190
Behr Bros. upright, new mahogany .. 265
Steinway upright, mahogany 310
Chickering upright, colonial style ... 348
Schumacker upright, colonial style ... 265
Mathusek upright, colonial style 275
Estey upright, like new 285
Twenty reliable upright pianos, latest improvements, fully guaranteed, $190; terms, $12 cash, $7 00 per month.
$600 Chickering Baby Grand, a perfect gem; beautiful mahogany case; was used only at Alvin theater, just like new, now $490
Hardman upright, like new 275
Fischer upright, ebonized case 189
Schubert upright, used, perfect 226
Fischer square piano 75
Steinway square piano 65
Mason & Hamlin organ 68
Pianola piano player, like new 165
Fischer square piano 75
Kroeger upright, used only as ornament at Nixon theater, perfect 268

Bring this with you.

W. F. FREDERICKS,
G. and W. Schroeder, Managers.
604 Smithfield St. (Entire Building.)

Sole agents for genuine Chickering, Hardman, Sirich & Zeidler, Kroeger, Mukhali, Estey, Schubert, Haines Bros., Kingsbury, Price & Teeple Pianos, Curse & Baker and Hardman Piano Players, Estey Organs.

CANNOT FIND ANY MARKS OF BULLETS

Correspondents Doubt Whether There Has Been Real Fighting at Ziegler.

HOW THE TROUBLE AROSE

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

DUQUOIN, ILL., Dec. 3.—After several months of labor trouble at the Leiter mines, in the town of Zeigler, during which many reports of active skirmishing have emanated from the rival camps, the situation there is one of the most peculiar in the history of the recent labor disturbances.

It is stated by disinterested persons living near Zeigler that firing has been heard nearly every night for several weeks in the vicinity of the stockade surrounding Zeigler and from the pump house, located at some distance from the town. After a thorough investigation, however, staff correspondents of St. Louis newspapers declare they have been unable to find any marks of bullets, either on the stockade or at the pump house. Reports sent out from surrounding towns that miners and strikers have been wounded have proved, upon investigation, to have been incorrect.

From the latest authentic reports there are about 25 miners encamped about four miles from Zeigler. In the town there are about 80 miners, 85 militiamen and 40 deputy marshals, including both state and federal officers.

History of Trouble.

Joseph Leiter, more than a year ago, acquired several thousand acres of coal land, and before beginning active mining built what has been termed the "model town of Zeigler." He brought more than 100 laborers and miners into the town, and the work of starting the shafts was auspiciously begun.

The wage agreement with the miners remained in force until coal veins were reached, and the active work of bringing the product of the mine to the surface and shipping it into the market was begun. Then Mr. Leiter, in keeping with the plans which he had adopted when he entered the mining field, determined to have only the latest and most improved mining machinery in use at the Zeigler mine.

Among the mechanical adjuncts employed was a steam loading device, which Mr. Leiter asserted was capable of loading a stated number of tons per hour. Representatives of the miners' union examined the loading machine, and differed with Mr. Leiter regarding the amount of work that could be accomplished in a given period. As the men were to be paid by piece work, this was a vital matter, and upon the capacity of the loading machine is said to have hinged all the trouble that has followed.

Mr. Leiter's wage proposition was rejected by the union miners. After the expiration of the time given by the union for a revision of the proposed wage scale, the union men left Zeigler and formed what has proved to be a permanent camp, about four miles distant from the town.

Immediately upon the establishment of the union miners camp, reports of clashes between the union men and the men employed by Leiter to take their places began to emanate from various sources. Several trains carrying non-union men to the mines were fired upon from ambuscade, but there was nothing to connect the striking miners directly with the occurrences.

For nearly three months absolute quiet reigned in the neighborhood of Zeigler, although it was stated that the town was practically in a state of siege. A little more than a month ago it was reported a fight had taken place between the mine guards and persons attacking the stockade. The discharge of firearms was heard for several hours during the night, but it is stated on good authority no one was injured, and newspaper men have failed to find marks of bullets.

Strikers Deny Firing.

The announcement that Mr. Leiter had been indicted by the Perry county grand jury caused renewed interest to be taken in the situation. The indictment charges Mr. Leiter with having "feloniously taken men under armed guard through Perry county."

Henry R. Platt, Mr. Leiter's attorney, sums up the situation as follows: "Our employes have been reduced to a state of terror by the bushwhacking which has become a nightly occurrence. There is every reason, from the standpoint of justice and law, for the bringing of the troops."

William Morris of Duquoin, who is the executive authority in the Zeigler strike, said:

"I deny absolutely that any of the union men have had the least thing to do with the firing which has been reported in the vicinity of Zeigler. It is my belief that what firing has occurred was done either at the instigation of Mr. Leiter or his executive officers, or by some of his force of private guards.

Postmaster Named for New York.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The following official statement was made at the White House today: "The president has decided to appoint William R. Willcox postmaster at New York city and Mr. Willcox's nomination will go to the senate on Tuesday next.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy.

Partly cloudy skies are promised for today and partly cloudy and warmer weather for tomorrow, by the Washington observer for Pittsburgh and vicinity. The maximum temperature yesterday was 35 and the minimum 29 degrees. The sun rose cloudy at 7:20 and set cloudy at 4:34 yesterday. The daily report, as furnished by the local weather bureau, follows:

Time.	Baro.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.22	29	80	N.E.	Rain.
8 p. m.	30.31	29	78	N.	Cloudy.

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 3:

	1904	1903		1904	1903
Maximum	35	34	Mean	32	26
Minimum	29	18	Precipitation	.05	T.
Nor. temp. 31 yrs.	36		Nor. precip. 31 yrs.	.09	
Dfcy. for day	1		Dfcy. for day	.04	
Dfcy. since Dec. 1.	5		Dfcy. since Dec. 1.	.24	
Dfcy. since Jan. 1.	498		Dfcy. since Jan. 1.	2.72	

Official Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Forecast: Western Pennsylvania and Ohio—Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday; warmer in northern portions Monday, light variable winds.

West Virginia—Fair Sunday and Monday.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

St. Louis	32	Clear	Cincinnati	30	Cloudy
Cairo	32	Cloudy	Indianapolis	26	Clear
Omaha	24	Clear	Kansas City	28	Clear
Chicago	28	Cloudy	San Antonio	52	Cloudy
El Paso	38	Cloudy	Grand Rapids	24	Clear
Louisville	32	Cloudy	Washington	30	Cloudy
Memphis	34	Cloudy	New Orleans	68	Cloudy
St. Paul	14	Cloudy	Philadelphia	32	Cloudy
Duluth	8	Cloudy	New York	30	Cloudy
Galveston	58	Clear	Nashville	38	Rain
Salt Lake	36	Clear	Chattanooga	56	Cloudy
Denver	28	Snow			

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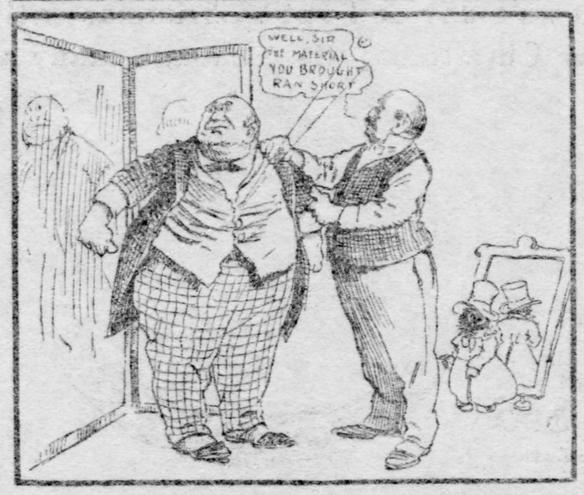

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Read conditions carefully on page four of part two. All answers must be in The Gazette office not later than noon of next Saturday; no answers will be accepted after that hour, unless they may have been mailed from a distant postoffice.

Answers sent by mail will not be considered unless postage has been fully prepaid.

See that your answers are arranged numerically or they will be thrown out if you have more than one answer for any of the problems they must be in their proper place. For example, if you have three answers for No. 8 you must have three No. 8 blanks filled out, all three must be placed between your No. 7 and No. 9 answers.

You must not change the printed number on the blanks.

Make sure of your spelling and punctuation.

A committee consisting of H. C. McEldowney, President of The Union Trust Co.; John A. Brashear, Ph. D., and L. E. Palmer, Superintendent of Mails of the Pittsburgh Postoffice, has kindly consented to award the prizes.

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REPUBLIC BUYS OUTPUT OF THREE BLAST FURNACES

The Republic Iron and Steel Company has closed a contract for the output of three important blast furnaces for the coming year, with a capacity of 250,000 tons of pig iron in the aggregate. These furnaces are the Alice of the Youngstown Sheet Iron and Tube Company, the Fanny of the Cherry Valley Iron Company and the Claire of M. A. Hanna & Co. The price for the iron will be fixed monthly on the prevailing basis, it is stated.

BOY CONFESSES TO MURDERING HIS AUNT

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Awaiting arraignment in connection with the murder of his aunt, Mrs. Margaret Keeler, who was slain last Monday in her home, Frank Furlong, 19 years old, made a voluntary confession this afternoon, according to Inspector McCluskey. He said she had refused him money and that after he had struck her over the head with an iron bar, he took her diamond earrings, a silver watch and a gold ring and pawned them for $18.

DON COSSACKS WIN A VICTORY

Slaughter Outposts, Rout Japanese Battery and Capture Eight Guns.

ENEMY FLEES BEFORE THEM

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

MUKDEN, Dec. 3.—Early this morning Don Cossacks routed the Japanese south of Lidiatoun and captured eight guns. This brilliant action is described by a Chinese, who dressed as a Cossack, participated in the attack, as follows:

"When volunteers were called for from two infantry regiments every man steped forward, and the Cossacks in chorus asked not to be left behind when the little party was formed. The order was given to depart at 2 o'clock in the morning. The men advanced with extreme caution and in dead silence, sometimes crawling and sometimes running. The party divided and attacked the Japanese position from two sides. The Japanese were sound asleep and did not even have time to raise a cry before all was over.

"Again we advanced and soon saw before us the outlines of a battery. All the Japanese were asleep except the sentries. We encircled the battery and attacked from the rear. The Japanese had not expected such an audacious and sudden attack, and when the Don Cossacks charged on a dead run, followed by chasseurs on foot, the Japanese were badly scared and unable to realize what was happening. They rushed, half dressed, from their tents, only to be riddled by shots and bayonets.

"The fight lasted only a few minutes, when the whole camp broke and fled in a wild panic, leaving eight guns in our hands. We had no losses, and only one man was slightly wounded. The Japanese left at least 15 dead and probably as many more were wounded."

Continued crouching in rifle pits and incessant firing have so hardened the men to danger that they ignore it. Peculiar war sports are becoming popular among troops.

Gen. Rennenkampff's Cossacks are still in pursuit of Japanese and have driven them about the villages of Intsagoundzy and Dapindunigan, taking many prisoners and rifles.

HUSBAND REPELLED, SHOOTS FOUR; WIFE NOT HURT

Detroit Policeman Is Likely Fatally Wounded, but Aids in Arresting Angry Man.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

DETROIT, Dec. 3.—Enraged because his wife, who is suing him for divorce, refused to allow him to accompany her home from work tonight, Louis Haxer, aged about 35, drew a revolver and began shooting at everyone in the bakery at Scott and Dubois streets, where his wife was employed. Mrs. Adolph Schneider, wife of Mrs. Haxer's employer, was shot three times through the chin, wrist and shoulder, one bullet entering the back of the shoulder and passing out through the breast.

Miss Tina Weber, a sister of Mrs. Schneider, was shot through the chin. Within half an hour after the two women were shot, Patrolman Peter Redmond, in attempting to arrest Haxer, was shot through the chest and Harver Trebbley of 1174 Gratiot avenue was shot in the side, though not dangerously, when he ran to the wounded officer's assistance. Notwithstanding his wound, which is likely to prove fatal, Patrolman Redmond, assisted by Patrolman Herman Schnabel, succeeded in placing Haxer under arrest. Mrs. Haxer was not hurt.

KING DECORATES MORGAN.

Italian Ruler Honors American Capitalist for Returning Famous Cope to Ascoli.

ROME, Dec. 3.—It is officially announced that King Victor Emmanuel has conferred the Great Cordon of Saints Maurice and Lazarus on J. Pierpont Morgan, in recognition of Italy's gratitude for the return by Mr. Morgan to the Italian government of the famous cope which was stolen from the cathedral of Ascoli, in 1902, and subsequently purchased by Mr. Morgan.

It is asserted that the government will have a gold medal struck in commemoration of the event and will present it to Mr. Morgan.

WILL CONTINUE DEFENSE OF THE CANTEEN LAW

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union today closed its annual convention after reaffirming its faith in the beneficence of the anti-canteen law, and pledging itself to defend the measure against all efforts to have it repealed.

Death May End Suits.

SHARON, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—With suits pending against his wife for divorce and the alleged larceny of $20,000, Hugh Montgomery, one of the best known residents of the Western Reserve and a retired cattle dealer, died last night after a long illness. The suits were entered in the Trumbull county, O., court and further litigation will probably be stopped. Mrs. Montgomery, who is his second wife, is 20 years his junior and is now out on bail pending trial on the charge of larceny.

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VARDON GONE TO SANITARIUM

He Will Take the Special Open Air Treatment for Consumption.

WRITING NEW BOOK ON GOLF

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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LONDON, Dec. 3.—Golfers will be sorry to learn that Harry Vardon, the famous professional, who has won more championships than any other player, has found it necessary to depart again for a sanitarium for special open air treatment for consumption, at Mundesley-on-Sea, where he spent the whole of last winter. Vardon proceeded there from Tottenridge this week, and intends to remain there two or three months.

It is a comfort to know, however, that the treatment on this occasion is ordered by his medical advisers more for the sake of precaution than anything else, for the serious affliction from which he was found to be suffering after winning the open championship of 1903 has not actively broken out again, and he anticipates he will be able to play again in the spring in quite his old form. He was golfing daily up to the time of his departure, and felt quite well.

Vardon has been engaged in preparing a new book on golf, and it has now reached such an advanced stage that early publication is assured. It will be issued under the title, "The Complete Golfer," in the late spring. It goes without sawing that no one is more qualified to say how golf should be played. I hear that Vardon will be putting the finishing touches to the book during his winter's retirement at Mundesley-on-Sea.

WILL BE OFFICE BUILDING.

Henry Phipps Says His Plans for Mammoth Hotel in Sixth Street Are Given Up.

Henry Phipps, through his private secretary, said yesterday that the plans for building a big hotel on the property at Sixth street and Duquesne Way had been abandoned after serious consideration, owing to the inability to make satisfactory arrangements. Instead he proposes to make the building another office building, 14 stories high, suitable for office purposes from the second floor up. Three stories of this structure are now practically completed.

Mr. Phipps denied positively the statement that he had been negotiating for the Second Presbyterian church property recently bought by Herbert Du Puy.

Mr. Phipps returned to New York last evening after spending a short time in this city looking after some matters in connection with his real estate and other business interests here.

PAPAL CONSISTORY MONDAY.

American Prelates in Rome—Jubilee of Immaculate Conception to Be Celebrated.

ROME, Dec. 3.—Many archbishops and bishops have arrived in Rome from all parts of the world to assist at the consistory, Monday, the jubilee of the Immaculate Conception, Tuesday, and the solemn canonization, Sunday, December 11, of Blessed Gerardo Majella and Blessed Alessandra Sauli in St. Peter's.

The United States is expected to be represented by six bishops. Besides the American prelates already here, Bishop O'Connell of Portland, Me., arrived at Naples today on his way to Rome.

TEACHER LOVED BUILDING.

Discovered Fire in Cellar and Put Out Flames Unaided.

A bold attempt was made to burn the Second ward, Homestead, public school building yesterday afternoon. The plot was frustrated by the discovery of the blaze by Miss Catherine Kessler, a teacher in No. 1.

Miss Kessler had returned to the building for a book and while passing a window noticed smoke issuing from one of the cellar windows.

Hurrying to the basement she discovered a fire that had evidently been carefully kindled under the floor, near a window. The floor had caught. Miss Kessler extinguished the flames.

MILES ACCEPTS POST OF ADJUTANT GENERAL

BROCKTON, MASS., Dec. 3.—Lieut.-Gen. Nelson A. Miles has accepted an appointment as adjutant general on the staff of Governor-elect William L. Douglas. This information was given out tonight by Mr. Douglas personally.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived, December 3.

New York—La Touraine, Havre.
Rotterdam—Ryndam, New York.
Genoa—Canopic, Boston.
Plymouth—St. Paul, New York.
Hamburg—Hamburg, New York.
Liverpool—Victorian, New York.
Yokohama—Doris, San Francisco.
Southampton—St. Paul, New York.

Sailed, December 3.

New York—Furnessia, Glasgow; Philadelphia, Southampton via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Graf Waldersee, Hamburg via Dover; Mesaba, London; Campania, Liverpool; Giulia, Naples and Trieste.
Copenhagen—United States, New York.
Liverpool—Bovic, New York; Lucania, New York.
London—Columbia, Boston.
Southampton—New York, New York via Cherbourg.
Antwerp—Zeeland, New York.
Havre—La Lorraine, New York.
Glasgow—Buenos Ayrean, St. Johns, N. G. and Philadelphia.
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Cherbourg—New York from Southampton, New York.
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CITY SALARIES TO BE RAISED

Chairman Helmold Will Hold a Conference With Director Bigelow on Monday.

FREW DEFENDS THE LIBRARY

Chairman C. W. Helmold of the sub-committee on appropriations said yesterday he would call on Director Bigelow tomorrow to discuss the appropriations for next year. Chairman Helmold said the discussion would include the question of salaries. There will probably be another revision of salaries, as the Citizens made a general reduction two years ago. Many of the former salaries have been restored and others probably will be when the new appropriation bills are prepared.

Chairman Helmold also made the important announcement that the appropriation bills and tax levy bills would be reported to councils several weeks before the controllership election on the second Tuesday of February. The new charter act requires that the appropriation and tax levy bills shall be passed by councils on or before the first Tuesday of February.

Mr. Helmold again stated that the tax levy for 1904 would undoubtedly be 15 mills, notwithstanding the assertion of Controller Larkin that it ought to be 13 mills. There are some Citizens councilmen who believe that even a higher levy will be necessary if the city increases the appropriations to buy a new high school site, to erect a building and to pay the teachers an increase in salaries.

Deficit Must Be Wiped Out.

Controller Larkin hopes to be consulted by the administration in making up the appropriations. He held a conference yesterday morning with Director Bigelow on the subject. He claims that he can show the administration how it can pay off a deficit of about $400,000 from this year and increase the appropriations for schools by a levy only one-half of a mill higher than this year. Chairman Helmold and others declare the controller's ideas are impracticable and the committee will provide ample revenues for next year so that there will not be another deficit.

Chairman Helmold said again yesterday that the expenses of the Carnegie library would be carefully investigated.

"The mayor has an itemized account of all the expenditures of the library, the names of every employe and the amount of salary that each one receives," said he. "Our sub-committee will take this up and we will see where we can make a cut. Several bankers and business men were in to see me today about the Carnegie library appropriation and the high school site, and they indorsed the stand I have taken. I am in favor of the Friendship park site, as it is more centrally located and will save the city $500,000."

Frew Defends Library.

President W. N. Frew of the board of trustees of the Carnegie library yesterday defended the policy of the library and stated that the money to maintain the institution appropriated by the city had been wisely expended. He said he would be glad to have Mr. Helmold attend the meetings of the executive committee of the trustees to assist it in preparing the estimates of the expenses of the library for the coming year.

In explaining the work of the library, Mr. Frew said:

"The increase in the cost of the maintenance of the library has been brought about by the increase in the patronage. The people of Pittsburgh have shown their appreciation of the library and the work that is being done by the large increase in the circulation. This means more work at the Central library and the branches. More persons must be employed and consequently there is a larger expense. The people of Pittsburgh want good service and I want to say that the library staff in Pittsburgh is one of the best in the country. But if the service is to be kept up to the high standard that has been set the right persons must be employed, and they must be paid the salaries which their abilities command.

Positions Are Necessary.

"So far as there being a number of useless positions on the library staff I can only say that the city is at all times through its representatives on the board kept fully informed of the expenditure of all the money that is appropriated. The chairmen of two of the important active committees are members of the city government.

"When the estimates of the expenses are made up every item is carefully considered by the heads of the departments and the chairman of the committee in charge of that branch of the work. It is then submitted to the executive board for a further revision and then comes before the whole Board. In this way every item of expense is gone over three times and every effort is made to keep the expenses down as low as possible.

"The estimates are prepared as carefully as possible, but with the experience of 10 years in this work I can say that there is not a position that is not absolutely necessary to carrying out the work of the institution and none of the salaries are any higher than the persons who fill the positions are worth."

ENGINEERS VISIT MINE.

Party of 78 Spend Afternoon at Fayette Coal Companie's Property.

A party of 78 members of the Engineers' society visited the Chalfant mine of the Fayette Coal Company at Noblestown yesterday afternoon. The party were the guests of the company from the time they left the Union station in a special car until their return to Pittsburgh. President Henry N. Chalfant, Vice President C. H. Hanford and W. E. Fohl, mining engineer of the company were in charge, and Superintendent Andrew G. Hunt escorted them through the mine.

The trip is one of a series arranged by the reception committee of the society, the chairman of which is George T. Barnsley, of the Wabash-Pittsburgh Terminal railroad.

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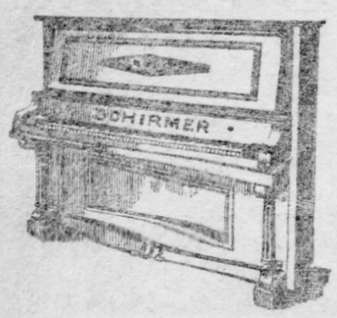

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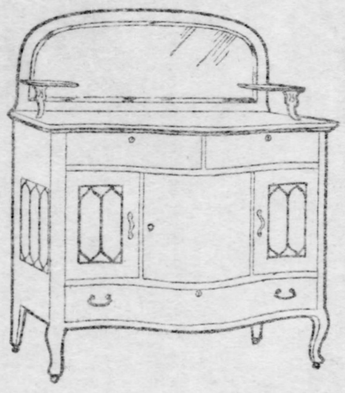

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The Buffet illustrated is in finest quartered golden oak; rubbed and polished by hand. Leaded glass in doors and ends. 40-inch French bevel mirror. Swell front..... $55

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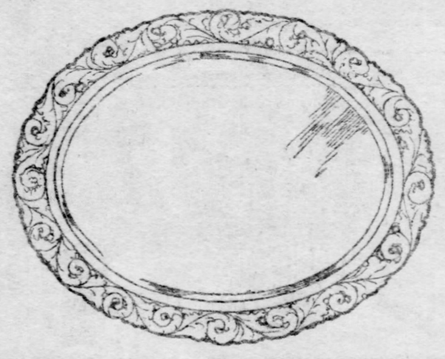


A beautiful French bevel mirror for a Christmas present or for your own use. Frames are in all gilt or in black touched with gold—size 23 inches by 27 inches. Only one to each customer..... $3.25

$2.93 Cash or in 30 Days.

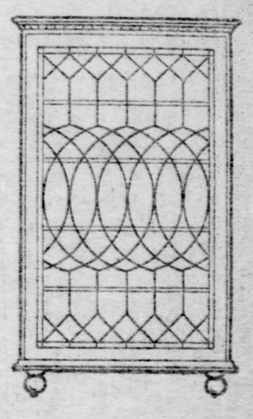
Bookcases . . . $16 to $87

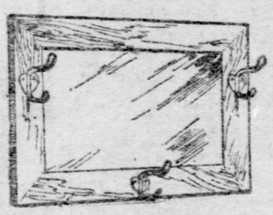
Library Tables, $8.50 to $47

Nine patterns fine Library Tables that were priced $13.50 to $40, now $9.75 to $30—because there is only one of a kind.

This Bookcase in quartered golden oak, hand polish finish. Leaded glass in door. Adjustable shelves.... $25

$22.50 Cash With Order or in 30 Days.





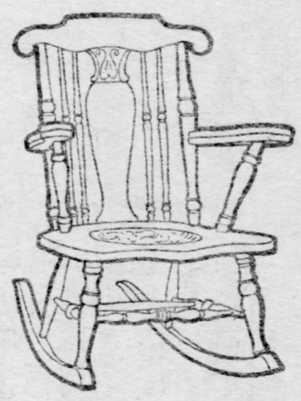
Hanging Hat Rack with French plate mirror. Three hat and coat hooks. Golden oak frame—size 18 inches by 21 inches. Value $2.00..... $1.50

$1.35 Cash or in 30 Days.

TERMS AND DELIVERY

In every case we will make the terms of payment as little as we possibly can during the holiday season, when there are so many other burdens of expense.

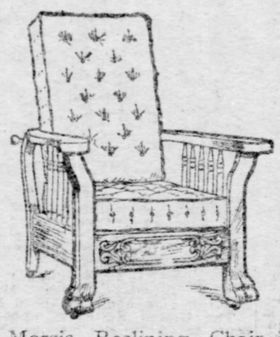
Deliveries can be made now, next week or just before Christmas.



MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED DIFFERENT ROCKERS AND ODD CHAIRS TO SELECT FROM.

One of our many Christmas Rockers. Choice of golden oak with saddle seat or mahogany finish with Cobbler Seat..... $5.00

$4.50 Cash or 30 Days.



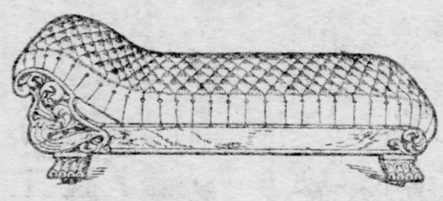
Morris Reclining Chair, in golden oak. Thick reversible velour cushions. Brass ratchet back adjustment. Value $12.50..... $7.50

$6.75 Cash or in 30 Days.

All Prices Marked in Plain Figures

The Same Price and the Same Discounts to Everyone.

Easy terms of credit at the marked price. 10 per cent. discount if you pay cash or in 30 days; 7 1-2 per cent. in 60 days; 5 per cent in 90 days.



$18 In Fabrikoid

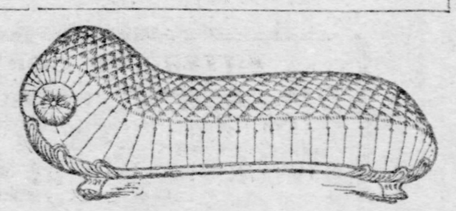
Two Couch bargains. The $18 Couch is covered with Fabrikoid—the best substitute for leather. Sanitary construction. Deep diamond tufts. Golden oak frame.

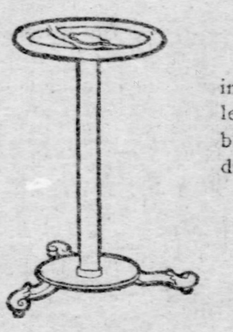
$16.20 Cash or in 30 Days.

The $15 Couch is covered with fine two-tone velour. It is 6 ft. 4 inches long, 30 inches wide. Seven rows deep diamond tufts.

$13.50 Cash or in 30 Days.

$15 In Velour

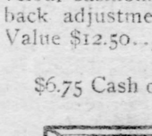


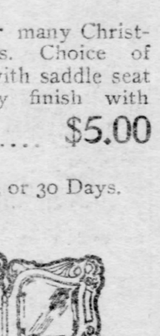


Iron Umbrella Rack. 26 inches high. Ornamental cast legs. Prices were $3 in dead black enamel, $4 in the oxidized. Now

$1.50 or $2.00

$1.35 Cash or $1.80 Cash.





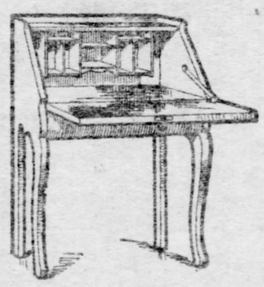
Golden oak or mahogany finished Pedestal. Reduced from $3.25 to $2.00

$1.80 Cash.

Mission Furniture receives a generous showing here. The Settee and Chair shown are in Antwerp oak. Seats have loose pillow cushions covered with roan leather.

Settee $27.50 Chair $13.50

$24.75 Cash. $12.15 Cash.



This Desk is finished a dark mahogany. Writing-bed is 24 inches wide, 28 inches deep. It's an $8.50 Desk for..... $6.75

$6.08 Cash or in 30 Days.

This Combination Bookcase, in golden oak or in mahogany finish. Roomy writing-bed. French bevel mirror. Value $22.00..... $18.50

$16.65 Cash or in 30 Days.

The Christmas China Display

Dinner Sets $4.25 to $60

Toilet Sets $2.40 to $25

The largest display we have ever made—and the best. 100-piece decorated Sets, semi-porcelain ware at $7.50, $9.50 and $12.50; worth $11.00 to $16.50.

Imported China Sets $19.50, worth $25. Beautiful full border floral decorations —$17.55 Cash or 30 Days.

Fine Lamps

Shapes, decorations and colors to suit everyone. The lamp illustrated is two feet high and has 10-inch decorated globe. Central draught. Value $6.00..... $4.50

$4.05 Cash or 30 Days.

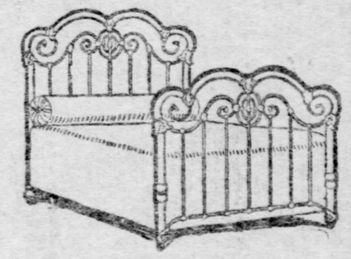
Bernstein Iron and Brass Bedsteads

The best metal Bedsteads made at any price. Different from all others. Can be set up or taken apart by anyone in half a minute. Shown only by this store in Pittsburgh.

Toilet Table in quartered golden oak. Pattern or oval French bevel mirror. Value $15.

$9.75

$8.77 Cash.



Bernstein three-piece Bedstead—head, foot and spring, and the spring is guaranteed 5 years against sagging or breaking. No ill-fitting joints. Absolutely rigid..... $17

$15.30 Cash or 30 Days.

Golden oak Chiffoniers. Five drawers with lock on each. Gilt handles. Value $6.50.

$4.25

$3.83 Cash.

Davenport Sofa-Bed in a fine velour. A sofa during the day, back lets down and forms a luxurous bed. Box beneath seat for clothing or bed clothes..... $60

$54 Cash or 30 Days.

W. H. KEECH CO. Keech's Furniture Makes Happy Homes 923 to 931 Penn Ave.

Watch the . . Wants Grow!

Notice how classified advertising has increased in the Daily and Sunday Gazette? It's because advertisers are certain to get the best returns for their investment. As business bringers they are without a parallel in Pittsburgh.

Of Course You Like Today's . Gazette! . . .

It is the out-of-the-ordinary Sunday Paper; bright, clean, entertaining, full of information without sensation; the kind that holds your attention from the first to the last page.

Look at the Proverb Picture. It's worth money to you if you solve the series. Get The Gazette, daily and Sunday and you will have the best obtainable.

WILSON HELD ON GRAFT CHARGE

Director Scandrett's Name Is Brought in Case by Commonwealth's Witness.

JENNIE LACOCK HELD IN BAIL

On the charge of receiving $10 from Jennie Bennett, the keeper of a disorderly house in Allegheny, Police Captain James Wilson of Allegheny was held for court yesterday by Alderman Toole. Jennie Bennett was a willing witness against Wilson. At the same time Alderman Toole held Jennie Lacock for court on the charge of keeping a disorderly house, the accusation having been brought by County Detective Robinson because she had declined to furnish information to the district attorney. Capt. Wilson's attorney, Thomas M. Marshall, went his bail for $1,000; the woman was held in $1,500 bail.

In the case against Wilson the Bennett woman testified she had conducted for several years a disorderly house in East Robinson street, Allegheny, until about a year ago, when her house was closed by the police. The house was raided, she said, on July 12, 1903, by Police Lieutenant Richard Wilson, now dead, and several policemen, and she and the inmates were locked up at the central station.

"Two days previous to the raid," the witness said, "Capt. Wilson called at my house. I had never seen him before. He told me to call my girls together and when they came into the room, he said, I have got a good notion to pinch you for harboring minor children in your house.' I got $10 and handed it to him. He took it and said 'is this all?' Two nights later I was raided, and was fined $50 and costs by the magistrate. I was kept in the station house all day until a friend whom I sent out to raise the money returned. He had $20 in cash and a diamond locket worth $100 with him. This, I am informed, he turned over to Director Thomas B. Scandrett and I was released at once. The locket was mine, but I have never seen it since."

Miss Bennett was the only witness called.

Councilman George Geltz of Allegheny was the first witness called in the case against Jennie Lacock. He said he had known the witness five years; she dealt at his place of business, but he had never been in her house. Attorney John Marron, who represented the commonwealth, was not satisfied with Geltz's evidence, and expected to show the character of the woman's house by him. Geltz made no admissions, however.

Policeman James Crann said he knew the Lacock house by sight. Amos Dachroth having pointed it out to him. Philip Koegler, brother of and manager for W. F. Koegler, a South Side liquor dealer, volunteered to testify in place of his brother, who had been subpoenaed. He testified that the beer delivered at the Lacock house was purchased from Koegler and that the bottles supposed to hold 22 ounces held but 22 ounces.

Former Policeman Amos Dachroth testified that he had known Jennie Lacock 10 years. He said Policeman Crann had reported the house as disorderly to the Allegheny police headquarters. Dachroth said he himself had sent men into the place to buy beer. Policeman J. C. Davis said he was in the Lacock house but had never seen beer sold there. F. W. Connor said he visited the house several times. It was a disorderly house and he bought beer there.

BUILDING MOTOR CARS TO BREAK ALL RECORDS

Many New Racing Machines Are to Take Part in Florida Tourney—America Against Europe.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—All motor records will probably be broken at the Ormond-Daytonia beach in January, when over a hundred of the highest powered and fastest foreign and American-built cars will meet for international honors on Florida's sandswept course.

Outside the 90 and 100-horse-power cars from the Mercedes, Panhard, F. I. A. T., Renault and De Dietrich factories abroad there will be any number of new American designed cars, built especially for these races, and for the first time, outside of the Vanderbilt cup race, the Yankee-built cars will have a chance to race in the open events with some chance of success.

The Pope-Toledo people have just completed a new 90-horse power racing car which A. C. Webb will drive. Webb thinks his new car will clip all records from one to 100 miles.

The machine is so constructed as to be geared to do 115½ miles an hour. The Toledo-made racer was recently completed and the well-known driver is speeding his new machine every day. The racer is now geared to do 87 miles. It is probably the highest powered racing machine ever built in America.

The Ford Motor Company of Detroit, Mich., has almost completed a new racing car which it is expected will eclipse anything that exists at present in the shape of a racing machine. The new flyer is an eight-cylinder 80-horse power car, weighing from 1,200 to 1,300 pounds. When ready it will be tested in Detroit, and then sent to Florida to compete with its little brother, the 20-horse power racer, against anybody who may wish to line up against the two Ford cars. Henry Ford seems confident that his latest car will prove a sensation and he would not be surprised to see it clip off seconds from the mile record.

THANKS FOR THE GAZETTE.

Pittsburgh Chapter, American Institute of Bank Clerks, Appreciative of Attention Given by This Paper.

One of the most interesting and up-to-date business organizations in this community is the Pittsburgh chapter of the American Institute of Bank Clerks. It had its start in a modest sort of way not so very long ago, but its merits and benefits were so apparent that it was at the very outset received with marked approval and its progress has in consequence been gratifyingly large.

There have been so many unique and newsy features about the organization that from its very start The Gazette, aiming as it always does to print all the news of interest to Pittsburghers, felt called upon to give the Pittsburgh bank clerks' organization considerable attention. That this attention was appreciated was attested at a meeting of the board of governors of the chapter last Tuesday, when a resolution to the following effect was passed:

That a vote of thanks be extended to The Pittsburgh Gazette for the kind and favorable mention of this organization in its editorial and news columns from time to time, recognizing the merit and influence of the local chapter among the bankers of this vicinity and the great work it is doing in promoting the education of bankers in banking.

'TWIXT PEACE AND WAR.

Interesting Developments Are Promised If Laura Biggar's Demands Are Not Amicably Settled.

Miss Laura Biggar is still waiting the outcome of the settlement in the Allegheny county courts of the Pittsburgh estate of the late Henry M. Bennett. The negotiations are making little progress and Miss Biggar does not hide the fact that she is growing impatient. She said last night that she could forecast nothing of the ultimate results of her litigation and expected to remain in Pittsburgh indefinitely.

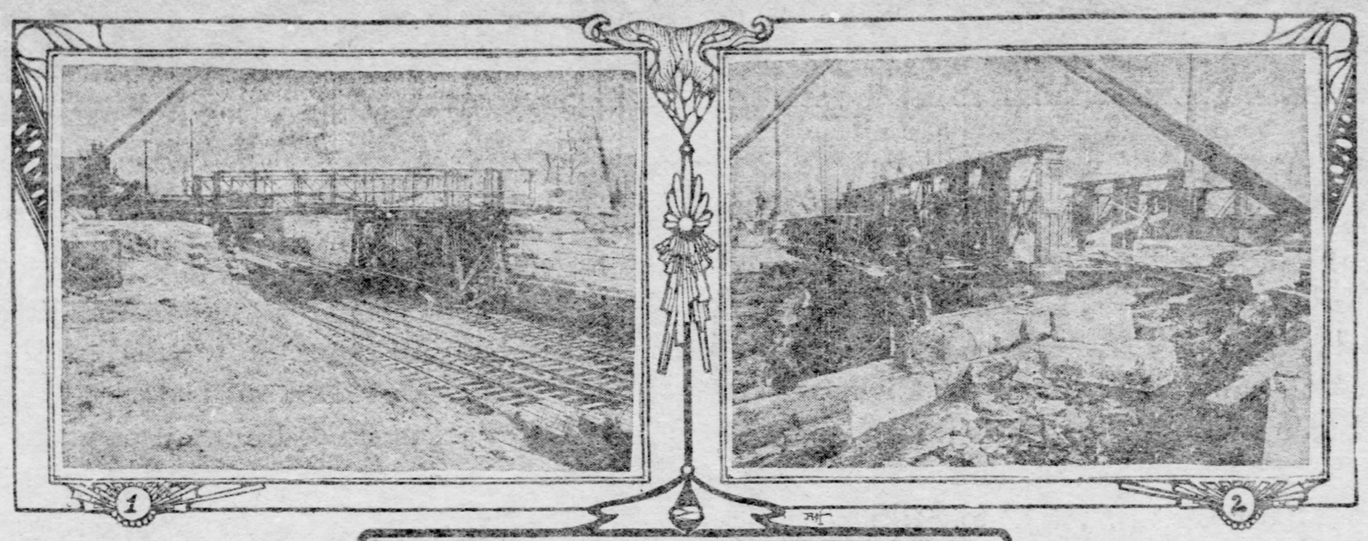
It was learned yesterday that an amicable adjustment of the case would be made. Both sides, it was declared, were favorable to a settlement.

"If war is proclaimed," said S. S. Robertson, Miss Biggar's attorney, "it will be a fight to a finish, with much of interest to the public."

Santa Claus Wasn't Fireproof.

An inanimate Santa Claus in the show windows of the store of County Recorder J. Denny O'Neil, in McKeesport, caught fire from a gas jet yesterday morning. The window display was damaged to the extent of $1,000 and the blazing Santa Claus was carried out to cool in the fog.

Building New Western Avenue Bridge While Traffic Goes On.



No. 1.—Old Western Avenue Bridge Across the Ft. Wayne Railroad Tracks, to Be Replaced by a Modern Structure.

No. 2.—Work of Replacing the Old Bridge With a New One, Without Stopping Traffic.

No. 3.—Eastern End of the Bridge, Showing Old and New Masonry.

MODERN ENGINEERING DEMANDS DEFT WORK

With Trains Below, and Street Cars and Pedestrians Above, New Viaduct Is Being Constructed.

The big improvement work being done by the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railroad Company in the West park of Allegheny is daily attracting the attention of thousands of people. It is part of the grade revision plans of the Pennsylvania's northwest system which was authorized by the North Side councils a couple of years ago only after a fight of marked obstinacy.

The three photographs above represent the changes that are being made in the Western avenue bridge to suit the requirements of the change of grade of the tracks beneath. This structure is probably the most important of all the viaducts crossing the Ft. Wayne tracks in Allegheny in number of cars and persons using it and the traffic over it could not stop. The pictures give a clear idea of the alterations that are being made.

As is well known the engineers of the company decided the best permanent way was that which would elevate the tracks from the Allegheny river opposite Eleventh street, Pittsburgh, to Marion avenue, Allegheny. Hence the tracks were raised from their former levels. The changes proposed for the remainder of the route through the city call for a lower grade and this is the work which will shortly be started vigorously to completion.

Only those living or having business in the immediate vicinity of the Ft. Wayne in Allegheny know the greatness of the volume of traffic that passes over those tracks. As the main trunk line of the Pennsylvania through the city these tracks would be kept very busy. But in addition to the passenger and freight business that this demands there is the added local business which calls for nearly 100 trains daily. Then the tracks are banked on both sides with important industries which pour forth an ever-increasing tonnage. With the new work completed, however, and all grade crossings removed so that danger to life and limb at crossings may be removed, it is calculated that the efficiency of the tracks will be increased fully one-third.

Want Bridge Men to Testify.

FRANKLIN, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Four witnesses were before the grand jury engaged in probing the corruption charges today. They were County Commissioner John M. Lamberton, E. K. Smiley, county surveyor, and P. G. Burford, who has had contracts for masonry. District Attorney McBride is disappointed at not getting service on representatives of the Penn Bridge Company, the Groton Bridge Company and the Rochester Bridge Company, through whom the county commissioners negotiated large contracts. The sheriff could not find them.

GERMANY MUST RAISE LOAN.

Finance Minister Von Stengel Tells the Reichstag It Is Necessary to Borrow $73,250,000.

BERLIN, Dec. 3.—Finance Minister Von Stengel submitted figures to the reichstag today showing the revenues for the year ending March 31 are larger by $875,000 than the estimates. Discussing the prospects of the current year ending next March, Minister Von Stengel said the customs receipts at the end of October were $3,000,000 less than in 1903.

Looking at the situation straight in the face he said a loan of $73,250,000 must be raised, of which $19,250,000 was in consequence of the regrettable conditions in German Southwest Africa and $11,825,000 must be applied to rearmaments for the army.

To Connect Pittsburgh and Buffalo.

SHARON, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The promoters of the Greenville trolley line have asked for a franchise from the Wheatland council. The request, it is stated, will not interfere with the franchise given the Sharon & Wheatland Company, but is in order to build a line to connect with the proposed Buffalo & Erie line, making a continuous road from Pittsburgh to Buffalo. The company offers a cash bonus of $2,000 and will begin work in 60 days. Pittsburgh capitalists are interested.

AMERICAN PLAN FAVORED.

French Catholics Like the Attitudes of Church and State in This Country.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—Cardinal Perraud, the foremost figure in the rench hierarchy and a member of the French academy, has written a letter strongly approving the American system of the independence of church and state, indicating that the American system offers the basis for a reorganization of the French system when the forthcoming separation of church and state in France is accomplished.

This is the prevailing view in the highest clerical circles, which have been attracted to the American system by the Abbe Klein's recent book dedicated to President Roosevelt, in which the advantages of the American system are contrasted with the disadvantages of the French system.

Will Back the Strikers.

CLEARFIELD, Dec. 3.—The United Mine Workers' executive board with nine sub-presidents met here today to take action on the strike at Morris Run. It was agreed to stand by the strikers and to order out all the miners at the operations controlled by the New York Central railroad until a settlement was soon reached.

HOW COTTON REPORT IS MADE OUT IN SECRET

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson Gives Demonstration to Representatives from Louisiana.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—In the preparation and issuance of the cotton report today Secretary of Agriculture Wilson gave a demonstration of the precautions taken to avoid advance information leaking out. Representatives Burgess of Texas and Ransdell of Louisiana were invited by the secretary to witness the preparation of the estimate.

The party was locked in the private office of the statistician, and the reports from all the cotton districts were taken into the room. The doors were locked from the outside, and the secretary then gave orders for the opening of the reports. The estimate of the crop for the year 1904-1905 was then prepared and sent out, before any person in the room was permitted to leave or communicate with any person outside.

"In this manner the cotton estimates are invariably made," said Secretary Wilson, "and all human ingenuity is used to prevent leaking of information."

RAILROAD STOCK OFFERED.

Unsold Balance of Cleveland & Pittsburgh $4,000,000 Issue Is on the Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of New York offer to investors, at 107½ per cent and accrued dividend, the unsold balance of $4,000,000 of Cleveland & Pittsburgh Railroad Company special guaranteed 4 per cent betterment stock. The par value of this stock is $50 a share. The quarterly dividends upon this stock, beginning March 1, 1905, are guaranteed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, free from all taxes that may be levied under the laws of the United States or the states of Ohio or Pennsylvania.

The surplus earnings of the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad, after payment of all charges, including dividends on the outstanding stocks, for 1903, were $1,328,950, which is more than eight times the amount required for the dividends on the present issue of betterment stock.

Charged With Incendiarism.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Joe H. Engler, a blacksmith of East Lewiston, this county, is under arrest in this city on a charge of incendiarism. He was charged with burning down three barns at East Lewiston on Thanksgiving night.

PRESENT BALLOT TOO DEFECTIVE

So Declares Plummer, Chairman Elections Committee of the Last House.

FAVORS RETURN TO 1903 FORM

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 3.

Representative J. Lee Plummer of Blair county, chairman of the elections committee of the last house, who will probably succeed himself, made the following statement today:

"In compliance with a popular demand, Senator Quay, when chairman of the state committee, appointed a committee of eminent gentlemen to formulate a new ballot and amend the ballot law of 1893. These gentlemen made a report, and in compliance therewith a bill was introduced in the senate by Senator Focht of Union county, putting the report into effect in the shape of an amendment to the ballot law of 1893. This amendment is known as the 'Focht' ballot law of 1903.

"I was chairman of the elections committee of the house of representatives of 1903, gave the act my support and assisted in its passage. The ballot provided by the amendment gave satisfaction at the election of 1903, but the ticket that year was small, and the defects in the ballot did not show up. This year the ticket was large, and as it included the presidential electors, the glaring defect of having the party name with a square attached to it, appearing on the ballot, would have been so apparent that it would not have been possible to believe that the electors were placed in columns similar to those on the ballot provided by the act of 1893. This is what caused the confusion all over the state.

"Voters not being familiar with this new ballot, and many of them seeing it for the first time when they entered the booth—and perhaps being ignorant that a new ballot law was in effect—thought, of course, the proper place to mark for a straight ticket was at the top of the column, so they placed their cross mark there, when, instead of voting their straight party ticket, they voted for president alone.

"I see by the papers the Republican state ticket lost over 100,000 votes through this error, which of course, would reach on down the ballot and affect the county tickets. I venture to say if the vote cast this year had been an ordinary one, instead of the most extraordinary ever cast, the Republican county ticket in many counties would have been seriously endangered, if not defeated. In our county, Blair, we lost 2,333 votes for our state and county tickets by this error.

"This great loss to our county ticket in Blair county has created a feeling among our people that something ought to be done either to remedy the defect in the present ballot or give the people a new ballot—something simple—so the voter will not be disfranchised because of technicalities in the manner of marking his ballot.

"What is the best form of a new ballot, or what change in the present ballot will be best to adopt, is hard to say. I have heard many suggestions made. Some persons think the proper thing to do would be to move the squares for straight voting from the left-hand column on the present ballot to the top of the ballot; others think the amendment, or act, of 1903 ought to be repealed altogether, so we could have the old ballot with the ticket in columns, and the square for straight voting at the top; others would go back to the old vest-pocket ticket, such as we had prior to the act of 1893.

"For my part, and in the absence of anything better, I would prefer the ballot provided by the act of 1893. As I understand it, the chief objection to this ballot was its size, but I noticed the ballot this year was as large, if not larger, than the old one. Moreover, the people had gotten familiar with the old ballot, and knew how to vote it, therefore it seems to me about the best thing would be to go back to the ballot provided by the act of 1893.

"One thing seems to be certain; the Republican voters will not stand for the present ballot; they demand something simpler and safer, and it is up to the next legislature to give it to them."

NO TEARS SHED AT RED'S FUNERAL

Stolid Demeanor Characterized Mourners' Actions at Cremation of Marcus Albrecht.

CLAIM ANARCHIST'S ASHES

Two score of the associates of Marcus Albrecht, the Allegheny anarchist who died Tuesday, stood beside the great oven in Samson's crematory yesterday afternoon and watched the body as it was consumed. There were no tears, no melancholy chant and no prayer for the repose of the dead. To them the end of mortal existence ended all. Tomorrow they will assemble again and each man will take away with him a pinch of the old man's ashes.

Half the detectives in Pittsburgh were in the room when the weird funeral rites were held, but if they had gone there to quell an anticipated disturbance, their presence was not needed. A more orderly funeral never was held in Pittsburgh. There was no badge of mourning and the ceremonies were confined to a simple eulogy spoken in German by an old-time friend of Albrecht.

At 5 o'clock a little group of men in working clothes walked into the chapel and seated themselves around the couch where the corpse reposed. A few minutes later they were joined by four young women who seemed to have been attracted there out of curiosity. No great mark of respect was shown to the presence of death. The men talked in German in low tones and the women conversed in whispers, glancing behind their black veils at the corpse.

Suddenly the door opened and Florian Kastner of Solar street, Allegheny, hurried into the room. He had just left his work-bench in the cabinetmaking shop of Dauler, Close & Johns in Smithfield street to speak of his old friend. He apologized for having come in his working clothes, saying that he had been working hard all day and had been employed up until the moment fixed for the funeral. He stood at the head of the couch in the middle of the circle of mourners and made the following address in German:

Marcus Albrecht was a poor man, but a friend of all mankind. He was born in Bavaria 71 years ago. He was a shoemaker. He was working at his trade in Switzerland when Lassella was making his speeches for the good of the workingmen in Switzerland and Germany. Albrecht approved Lassella's doctrines and became the agitator's steadfast apostle. He went to Marseilles, France, and afterward came to America. He tried farming in Louisiana, but was not successful. Then he came to Pittsburgh and opened a cobbler's shop. He was a very particular workman. On account of his scrupulous care he did very little, and was not well paid. He never drank much and never permitted wrong to be done any fellow being. Because he was poor he never married. I knew him 24 years. He was upright, honest and faithful to every trust.

When Kastner concluded his speech the men around the couch stood up and replaced their hats. The body was wrapped in a sheet and carried to the elevator in the rear of the chapel and lowered to the crematory. The spectators crowded down the stairway into the basement and stood before the doors of the furnace. The body was carried in and placed horizontally on rollers before the brick arch. For the first time since entering the building the men ceased talking and stood in breathless suspense waiting for the scene that was to follow.

In an instant the furnace doors were opened and across the basement shot the fiery glow from the seething oven. The sheeted figure for a moment was enveloped in the flood of dancing light. The spectators stood blinking in the dazzling glare. The rollers turned quickly, and the body slid through the arch and disappeared.

The men dispersed, but Kastner announced they would return tomorrow to claim the ashes. No disposition has been made of Albrecht's meager belongings.

Killed While Stealing Ride.

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 3.—Two unidentified men were killed in a wreck of a westbound freight train on the Pennsylvania railway near Middletown today. The men were stealing a ride.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS

THE GREAT HOME REMEDY.

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been used so successfully in thousands of homes in cases of Stomach, Liver, Bowel and Kidney disorders that it is now universally acknowledged to be the greatest home remedy on the market. It has been before the public for **over 50 years,** which is one of the strongest arguments we can present as to its wonderful merit and for urging you to give it a trial. It is also freely prescribed by physicians to their most delicate patients, past experience having proven that the weakest stomach can retain it. It is nature's own remedy for the many ills of mankind and its results are certain.

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

Is your tongue coated, bowels costive, appetite poor, sleep restless or nerves unstrung?
TRY THE BITTERS.

Have you a bad taste in the mouth, sallow skin, bad complexion or severe headaches?
TRY THE BITTERS.

Do you belch after meals, have sour risings, heartburn or pains in the stomach?
TRY THE BITTERS.

These ailments are nature's warnings of future trouble—Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Liver and Kidney Complaints and General Debility are sure to follow. Take our advice.
TRY THE BITTERS.

Or, perhaps you are subject to Severe Colds, Chills or Malaria, Fever and Ague. Then don't fail to
TRY THE BITTERS.

WEAK AND RUN-DOWN WOMEN

Need the Bitters, too, especially in cases of Monthly Irregularities, Backache, Cramps, Vomiting, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness, Dizziness, Nervous Headaches or General Weakness. It has cured thousands in the past. That's why we urge you to
TRY THE BITTERS.

HERE'S RELIABLE PROOF.

Rudolph Pohli, West Hoboken, N. J., says: I was troubled for many years with Dyspepsia and Indigestion, and tried many remedies without results. Your bitters soon cured me and also restored my appetite. Everybody should try it.

Grant Gould, Crawfordsville, Ind., says: I had been subject to attacks of Diarrhoea and Stomach Troubles for many years, but your Bitters has cured me. I freely recommend it.

Albert Hamilton, Providence, R. I., says: I have used your Bitters for stomach troubles, and find it an excellent remedy. I heartily endorse it.

Sarah E. Mann, Loganton, Pa., says: I was very sickly and run down, but your Bitters soon restored me to health again. My appetite is good and I sleep well. I willingly recommend it.

Get Hostetter's, THERE'S NOTHING ELSE NEAR SO GOOD.
THE GENUINE HAS OUR PRIVATE STAMP OVER NECK OF BOTTLE.

PLURALITIES OF CONGRESSMEN

Their Total Vote Less Than That Cast for President Roosevelt.

NUMBER FOR EACH CANDIDATE

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, Dec. 3.—The Republican congressional pluralities in the 31 districts in the state, which that party carried at the recent election, aggregate $10,790, while the remaining district, the Thirteenth (Berks and Lehigh), elected the Democratic candidate for congress by a plurality of 1,930, scarcely one-fourth the normal majority cast by that organization in the district. The total vote polled for the Republican nominees for congress is 729,760, while that for Roosevelt for president is 840,949, a reduction as compared with the vote for Roosevelt of 111,189. Parker for president received 17,008 more votes than were polled for the Democratic candidates for congress. The difference in the vote cast for the congressional nominees of both the great political parties and that polled for their candidates for president is explained by the existence of abnormal contests in a number of the congressional districts and unfamiliarity of many voters with the requirements of the new ballot.

The following table gives the congressional vote and the pluralities obtained by each candidate for congress elected:

	Rep. Vote.	Dem. Vote.	Rep. Plu.
1—H. H. Bingham, R....	42,228	7,623	34,605
2—Robt. Adams, Jr., R.	41,637	7,187	34,450
3—G. A. Castor, R.....	39,982	7,873	32,109
4—R. O. Moon, R.....	25,610	5,620	19,990
5—E. deV. Morrell, R..	28,146	6,524	21,622
6—G. D. McCreary, R..	34,984	9,558	25,426
7—T. S. Butler, R.....	26,145	6,470	19,675
8—E. R. Wanger, R....	26,099	15,847	10,252
9—H. R. Cassel, R.....	17,685	2,894	14,791
10—T. H. Dale, R.....	15,003	12,685	2,320
11—H. W. Palmer, R....	23,324	14,224	9,100
12—J. R. Patterson, R..	17,410	12,005	5,414
13—M. C. L. Kline, D..	25,781	25,711	.....
14—M. E. Lilley, R.....	15,568	8,696	6,872
15—E. Deemer, R.....	19,807	11,959	7,848
16—E. W. Samuel, R....	14,969	13,191	1,778
17—T. M. Mahon, R....	22,860	13,337	9,523
18—M. E. Olmsted, R....	26,996	11,663	15,333
19—J. M. Reynolds, R...	23,164	19,006	4,158
20—D. A. Lafean, R....	19,088	14,782	4,306
21—S. E. Dresser, R....	18,281	8,559	8,722
22—G. B. Huff, R.....	21,547	9,824	11,723
23—A. F. Cooper, R....	18,206	10,597	7,609
24—E. F. Acheson, R....	23,131	8,420	14,711
25—A. L. Bates, R.....	17,271	8,002	9,269
26—C. A. Schneebeli, R.	14,765	12,895	1,868
27—W. O. Smith, R.....	18,597	7,353	11,244
28—J. E. Sibley, R.....	19,861	10,651	9,210
29—W. H. Graham, R...	18,400	3,437	14,963
30—J. Dalzell, R.....	17,922	3,330	15,592
31—J. F. Burke, R.....	18,403	5,289	13,114
32—A. J. Barchfeld, R..	19,383	4,690	14,693
Totals	729,760	320,000	410,790

BRICKLAYERS ELECT NEW CORPS OF OFFICIALS

Daniel Gildernew Was Chosen Business Agent for His Ninth Term—He Had Opposition.

For the ninth time Daniel Gildernew has been elected business agent of the Bricklayers' and Masons' International union, local No. 2. The election was held Friday evening and the counting of the votes was not completed until late yesterday afternoon. The election was a spirited one, as Mr. Gildernew had opposition in the person of E. H. Harper.

DANIEL GILDERNEW,
Re-Elected Business Agent of the Bricklayers.

With the exception of E. M. Swartz of the carpenters Mr. Gildernew has served the longest time as business agent in this district. The election resulted in R. Austin being elected president; B. F. Veagle, vice president; J. Nevil, recording secretary; J. Henry, corresponding secretary, and Mr. Gildernew, business agent.

Since the stone masons affiliated with the bricklayers the organization has thrived wonderfully. There have been no disputes the past year and the few minor differences arising have been quickly adjusted by the business agent and the employers.

CONTRACT IS AWARDED TO PITTSBURGH COMPANY

More Tin Plate Mills to Be Started—Construction Firm Does Fast Work.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

SHARON, Dec. 3.—The Driggs-Seabury Ordnance Corporation has awarded the contract to William Scaife & Co. of Pittsburgh for the erection of its forge plant. The building will be 110 by 200 feet. Construction will begin next week.

Notices were posted today announcing that on Monday five additional hot mills will be started at the South Sharon plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, making a total of 15 in operation. The entire mill will be running in full within two weeks.

VANDERGRIFT, Dec. 3.—Orders have been issued by the management of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company to increase the Vandergrift plant by the addition of another open hearth furnace and several more galvanizing pots. The furnace will be of the same capacity as those now in operation, 35 tons. These additions will make a total of nine open hearth furnaces and 20 galvanizing pots at the Vandergrift plant.

MONESSEN, Dec. 3.—The McClintick-Marshall Company of Pittsburgh has made fast time in the erection of the new American Seamless Tube Company's mill here. The contract for the steel work was given August 31 with the proviso that the work was to be completed in 30 days. The work was begun October 1. Twenty-five days later the last piece of steel was swung into place, three days before the contract time had expired. The structural steel workers handled on an average of 30 tons of steel each day. The main building is 600 feet by 125 feet.

Work on Road to Be Suspended.

LORAIN, O., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—President Kenefick of Kansas City, and Vice President J. B. Carter of Indianapolis, are here closing the work of the new Lake Erie & Pittsburgh railroad for the winter. The graders have stopped operations which will not be resumed until March, at which time the work of pushing the line to Youngstown will begin.

Successor to Rev. Dr. Beacom.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 3.—(Special)—Rev. Silas T. Mitchell, D. D., presiding elder of the Blairsville district of the Methodist Episcopal church, has appointed the Rev. W. P. Bergen of Beallsville to succeed the late Rev. H. C. Beacom, D. D., as pastor of the Bolivar charge.

ALLEGED HOLDUP OF CONGRESSMEN

Rural Letter Carriers Charged With Demanding Increase of Pay.

DEFEAT WAS THREATENED

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Several weeks ago—in the heat of the presidential campaign—complaints were made to the president and to the postmaster general by several members of congress who were candidates for re-election that they were being made the victims of a systematic plan on the part of the Rural Letter Carriers' association to defeat them unless they should accede to certain demands of the association. One of these demands was that the carriers should have an increase of pay.

A special effort was made by members of the association to embarrass Representative Overstreet of Indiana, chairman of the postoffice and post roads committee of the house, because, it is alleged, he had not done for the rural carriers what they thought he ought to have done. President Cunningham of the association is said to have been one of those who made demands on candidates for congress, of course, on behalf of the members of the association. The complaints filed with the president and postmaster general mentioned President Cunningham as one of those responsible for the attempted "hold up," as it was termed by the victims.

By direction of the president an investigation of the matter was instituted by the postmaster general. It has been in progress for two or three weeks and the intimation is given that thus far it tends to substantiate the charges made by representatives in congress. What the result of the investigation may be is not disclosed, but the likelihood is that if the charges are maintained, as now is expected, there will be a general overhauling of the rural free delivery carrier service.

STEEL-MAKERS' POLICY WILL BE CONSERVATIVE

Radical Advances in Prices Are Not Favored by Leaders Who Meet This Month.

Practically every iron and steel association in the country will hold meetings in the third week of the current month. These meetings will be highly important as the price policy for the year 1905 will be decided upon. Among the manufacturers scheduled to meet are the following: Steel Rail association, Steel Plate association, Bar Iron association, Steel Bar association, Nut and Bolt association and Structural Steel association.

Interest centers on the outcome of the steel rail meeting, but it is a foregone conclusion that the price of rails will be maintained at $28 a ton and that the Lackawanna Steel Company will receive 15 per cent of the steel rail tonnage of the association. In view of the advance of $3 a ton in iron bars, made by the Republic Iron and Steel Company, it can be assumed that there will be a readjustment of iron bars as well as steel bar prices.

No change is expected in steel plates, notwithstanding the pronounced increase in the demand from consumers. Nuts and bolts are scheduled for an advance. A member of one of the associations declared that no radical advances in any class of material could be expected as the policy from now on will be to keep prices at a reasonable level.

TALKS TO TEAMSTERS.

Prominent Labor Leaders Will Address Drivers at an Open Meeting.

Drivers' union 311 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters will hold an open meeting this evening at Moorhead hall, Second avenue and Grant street. The meeting will be opened at 7:30 and the following will be present and give addresses: C. F. Davis, Thomas Flynn, Cal Wyatt, general organizers of the A. F. of L.; William Robinson, sixth vice president of the International Association of Machinists, and P. F. O'Neil, fifth vice president of the teamsters.

The object of the mass meeting is to show the teamsters the need of organizing for mutual benefit. The teamsters are fairly well organized in Pittsburgh, but there are still a great many outside the union.

Radway's Pills

Purely vegetable, mild and reliable. Regulate the Liver and Digestive Organs. The safest and best medicine in the world for the

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of all disorders of the Stomach, Liver, Bowels, Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Diseases, Loss of Appetite, Headache, Constipation, Costiveness, Indigestion, Biliousness, Fever, Inflammation of the Bowels, Piles and all other derangements of the internal viscera. PERFECT DIGESTION will be accomplished by taking RADWAY'S PILLS.
By so doing

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Sick Headache, Foul Stomach, Biliousness will be avoided, as the food that is eaten contributes its nourishing properties for the support of the natural waste of the body. Sold by Druggists, 25 cents per box, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Send for book. RADWAY & CO., 55 Elm street, New York.

CANDY.

Sunday School and Church Committees would do well to see our line of Candies and Boxes before placing their Christmas orders.

Good 1-lb. Boxes Candy, packed..10c per lb
Fine 1-lb. Boxes Candy, packed..12c per lb
Extra 1-lb. Boxes Candy, packed..14c per lb
Special 1-lb. Boxes Candy, packed..16c per lb
Fine 1-lb. Boxes Chocolate, packed..18c per lb
Fancy 1-lb Candy with Fruit.....25c per lb

These prices are Wholesale and will be good for the next 10 days only.

JOHN DIMLING,
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409-411 MARKET STREET.

A.M.E. CHURCH

FIFTH AVENUE,
BETWEEN LOGAN AND ELM ST.

Rev. I. S. Lee, Pastor.

The Holy Communion will be administered at the morning services, 11 a. m. At 6:30 p. m. the Y. P. C. E. Society will hold their special service, and from 7:30 to 9:30 the sacred concert by the choir of the church. The famous Bryant Troubadours will render vocal and instrumental numbers. The public is cordially invited to all services.

Stop Lively

We have some beautiful new suitings for the holidays—order quick for Christmas delivery—fit guaranteed.

DICKSON, The Tailor,
241-3 Fifth Ave., Second Floor.

The first photo ever taken of the little Prince of Piedmont, heir to the throne of Italy. The royal parents of the prince have had him photographed as soon as possible to disprove the rumor spread that he was deformed. The portrait shows him to be a strong, healthy-looking youngster, greatly resembling his mother, Queen Helen.

ITALIAN CROWN PRINCE TO BE CHRISTENED TODAY

Cardinal Richelmy May Be Decorated—Will Improve Relations With Church.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

ROME, Dec. 3.—Great preparations are being made for the christening, on Sunday of the crown prince, Prince Humbert of Piedmont. Among the members of royal families who have arrived here the central figure is Prince Nicholas of Montenegro, the crown prince's grandfather, who is most popular in Rome owing to his genial, homely manners. The Montenegrian ruler is accompanied by several members of his family, including his wife, Princess Milena, who is most attached to her daughter, the queen of Italy. The prince and princess of Montenegro are accompanied by three other daughters. Prince Albert of Prussia has arrived here with a large suite. He is the bearer of an autograph letter from Emperor William. Prince Arthur of Connaught has also reached here, together with the duke of Oporto, who is a cousin of the king, and Prince Victor Napoleon, another cousin of his majesty. All these notable persons went to the Pantheon today and deposited wreaths on the tombs of King Victor Emmanuel and King Humbert.

All of the Italian royal princes, with the exception of the duke of Aosta, who is detained at Turin by the fact that the duchess is suffering from an attack of pneumonia, have arrived here. It is rumored that among the decorations which King Victor Emmanuel will confer in honor of the event is the collar of the Annuziata order on Cardinal Richelmy, archbishop of Turin, which will be another step forward in the cordial relations now existing between church and state. This would re-establish the custom of the ancient kingdom of Sardinia, when the archbishop of Turin, who was a senator, wore the collar of the Annunziata.

BIG DROP IN COTTON CAUSED PANIC IN PIT

Price Fell $2.50 a Bale in Less Than Two Minutes—Sully Again Obliterated.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Cotton dropped $2.50 a bale in less than two minutes today. Brokers in the pit acted like maniacs in their efforts to avert ruin. The whole market was panic-stricken. The United States government had estimated the crop at 12,162,000 bales. Such an enormous harvest had never been dreamed of by the most pessimistic of bears. The bottom dropped out of the market. The wildest scenes were enacted, and but for the fact that the ginners' reports had sounded a warning to the bulls ruin would have been widespread. The close was very weak and at the lowest figure.

Theodore Price, the leader of the bears, who lost a fortune fighting Sully during the latter's triumphant bull campaign, recovered it in a few minutes and added to it largely before the gong stopped the pandemonium. Sully, who has been trying to engineer another bull campaign, was obliterated as a factor in the market.

The government's report was received at the exchange and read from the rostrum. Being Saturday, only three-quarters of an hour remained until closing time. Everybody wanted to sell at once. Prices fell 48 to 52 points almost in a flash. It was the greatest and swiftest collapse since the memorable announcement of Sully's failure in the midst of the best bull movement he had started.

BURTON HOLMES' NEW TOPICS.

Popular Lecturer Will Give Five New Talks Here Next Spring.

Burton Holmes, the well-known traveler, author and descriptive lecturer, has just opened his 12th season in Chicago and vicinity, where he is doing a business which is the envy of his half-brothers of the theatrical profession. His present circuit takes in Evanston, Milwaukee, St. Louis and Chicago, where he fills the Auditorium, the largest theater in this country, every Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

That no time may be wasted, his Saturday evenings are given to a series at the new theater at Ravinia, a fashionable suburb of Chicago. He goes around this circuit for five successive weeks, until the five subjects which make up his series for this season, are given. These subjects are: "In London," "Round About London," "Beautiful Ireland," "Russian Empire" and "Japan."

This series will be given by Mr. Holmes during the spring in this city.

"77"
Cures Grip and
COLDS

Now that the season for Colds, Coughs and Neuralgic Pains is with us, the careful man is on the lookout for such preventive measures as will guard him against the "eager and nipping air" that may prepare the way for a winter's sickness.

It is not necessary to look far for a preventive and cure; at the nearest drug store you will find Dr. Humphreys' "Seventy-seven." Those who habitually carry and take "77" at the first sneeze or shiver rarely have a serious Cold or illness.

At Druggists, 25 cents, or mailed.
Humphreys' Medicine Co., Cor. William and John Streets, New York.

ANY ARTICLE ON CREDIT IF YOU DESIRE
And a Store filled with beautiful things to select from.

FRIEND
810 to 814 PENN AVENUE.

CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE HERE
Why not select those gift articles this week? Friend will deliver them whenever you wish—and WHEREVER you say.

Santa Claus Says DON'T

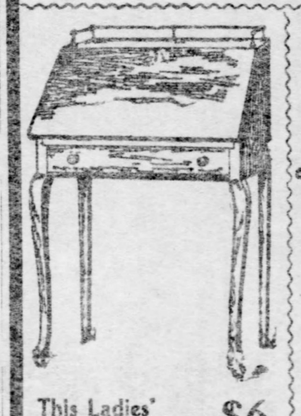
DON'T buy foolish articles for Christmas presents.

Buy something useful—something that combines the practical as well as the beautiful.

This immense furniture and carpet house is a veritable Santa Claus store in the matter of practical gift articles.

Come—look through the stock—select what you want—whether for a member of your own family or for friends—you can have plenty of time in which to make payments.

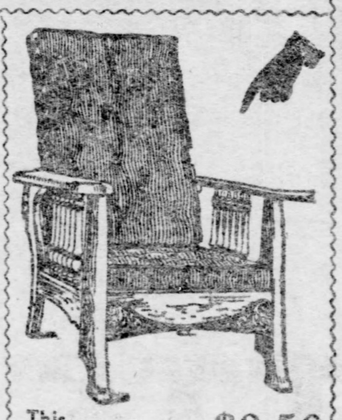
Friend Will Wait for the Money



This Ladies' Writing Desk . . $6

If you give your wife or daughter a Christmas gift such as this ladies' writing desk it will serve for the entire family. It is worth $11. Friend will sell it to you for $6.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.



This Morris Chair . . $8.50

Your father, brother or husband will think of you every time he sits in this elegant Morris chair should you buy it for him for Christmas. It is a regular $16 chair. Friend's price is only $8.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

This Silverware FREE!

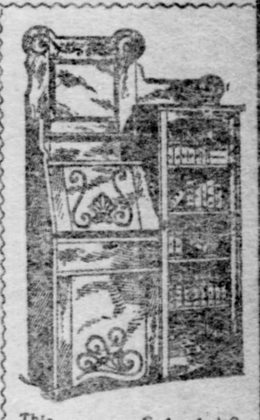
With every purchase amounting to $50 or more on which $10 has been paid Friend will make you a present, absolutely free, of a case of handsome silverware, consisting of genuine Rogers knives, forks and spoons. The handsome plush case in which the silverware is enclosed is also free. Would make a fine Christmas gift.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

This Morris Chair, $14.50

You will be glad you met Friend if you see his bargains in Morris chairs. This one is worth $22. Although Christmas is coming and there will be lots of these chairs sold, Friend's price is only $14.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.



This Combination Bookcase . . $14.50

This handsome combination bookcase is usually sold at $22, but Friend's special Christmas offering price is only $14.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

WHY DELAY ANY LONGER? FRIEND WILL WAIT FOR THE MONEY.

CREDIT See Friend about it—no honorable man or woman is refused credit at Friend's.

This Splendid Dining Room Outfit for . . $32.50

Comprises everything needed in a dining room—sideboard, table, chairs, etc., with carpet.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

Friend Will Furnish Your Bedroom for $37.50

Consisting of Bedroom Suite, one Rocker, two Chairs, Elastic Spring Mattress, one pair of Pillows or Bolster and 20 yards of Carpet or Matting.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

Friend Will Furnish Your Parlor for . . $42.50

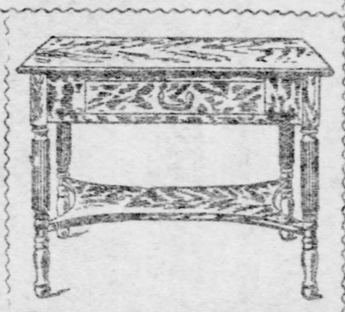
It is a beautiful outfit. Why not make your home brighter by putting new furniture and carpets into the parlor? It's easy to do so. Friend will wait for the money.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

This Ladies' Dressing Table, $9.50

Is dainty, convenient and ornamental. Just the thing for Christmas if you are of a practical turn of mind. It's worth $15. Friend's price $9.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.



This Stand . . . $7.50

Sells in all other stores for $12, and it is worth it; would make an appropriate Christmas gift. Friend's price only $7.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

GOING TO BUY ANY CHRISTMAS GIFTS? THEN SEE FRIEND ABOUT IT.

Carpets and Rugs

As long as you have to buy carpets and rugs for the house, why not buy something of the sort as a Christmas gift for wife or husband? It would make a very useful gift. Friend has just received a very elegant line of carpets and rugs. Should you select your gift from this stock it would be appreciated all the more by the recipient.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

Friend Will Wait for the Money.

Good Heavy Ingrain, pretty new designs	48c
Extra All-Wool Filling Ingrain, latest patterns	65c
Brussels Carpets, extra quality	75c
Very best grade Brussels	$1.10
Velvet Carpets, most desirable colorings	$1.10
Extra Wilton Velvets, very swell patterns	$1.35

RUGS!

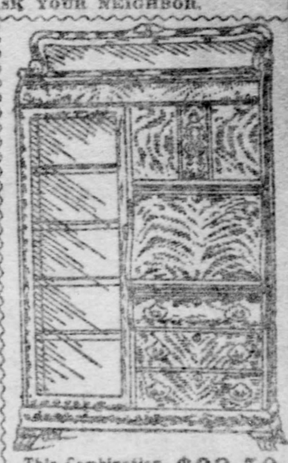
Friend Will Wait for the Money.

Ingrain Rugs, 9x12 feet	$ 7.75
Wilton Velvet Rugs, 9x12 feet	$32.50

This Leather Chair, . . $32

If you want to give something extra fine for a Christmas gift, buy this elegant leather chair. Friend will wait for the money, but you don't have to wait for the chair.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.



This Combination Bookcase . . $23.50

Serves as bookcase, writing desk and receptacle for papers. Just the thing for Christmas. Worth $30. Friend's price $23.50.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR.

FRIEND 810 TO 814 PENN AVENUE. THE STORE THAT MAKES FRIENDS. FRIEND

CLARK WAS NOT MADE CHAIRMAN

Mayor Hays Is to Be Elected Head of the Citizens City Committee.

WANT CLUB OVER PAYROLL

In order to prevent the election of Director James W. Clark as chairman of the city committee of the Citizens party, Mayor W. B. Hays has been named for the place. He has gone to California and until he returns the matter is not likely to cause trouble. The mayor has repeatedly said he would not take the position. He was selected yesterday on the assurance of Murry A. Verner that the office would be accepted.

Director Clark is the choice of the workers, but some of the other leaders are afraid he would prove too popular. They are also of the opinion Clark will be a candidate for mayor, with the backing of the Hall syndicate. Should this happen, the office of city chairman might assist him in making his preliminary canvass. The naming of Hays will at least block things until he returns, and in the meantime the search can be kept up for a man to take the place, if the mayor declines.

One excuse given for the turndown of Clark is the necessity of having a chairman that can force the pay roll to do its duty. It is pointed out that Hays as mayor can make every employe perform the service demanded or remove him from office. Another thing urged in behalf of the mayor is his ability to get railroad passes for the workers.

Meeting at the Palace.

The Citizens held their usual Saturday afternoon meeting at the safety palace. The committee ordered to recommend a city chairman reported in favor of Hays and named Clark for secretary. It was decided to hold a meeting of the city committee tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in Citizens headquarters. Hays will be elected and arrangements made for the selection of a new city committee. The members will be chosen by the first of the year and the new committee will then elect a chairman. If Hays decides to stick, he will be chosen; should he decline, effort will be made to give the office to a man other than Director Clark.

The committee on rules reported the old rules of the party. This committee was given to understand there was no hurry about making new laws for the government of the party. It was advised to wait until something more definite about political conditions could be learned.

There was no city chairman named for Allegheny. The North Side Citizens say they want another week to consider the matter. R. H. Jackson was the last chairman of the committee. Director Clark said yesterday that so far as he knew Jackson is still a Citizen.

It was announced by Director Clark that Denny O'Neil had accepted the chairmanship of the county committee. O'Neil heard the statement made and said: "No one has accepted the county chairmanship." Before he could say anything more Roger O'Mara hurried him away.

Orphans Are Suspicious.

Nothing definite can be learned as to when the Citizens intend to nominate John B. Larkin for controller. They never use Larkin's name in discussing the nomination. A favorite expression is, "When we nominate a controller." The Orphans are doubting the sincerity of the Citizens. The Orphans are circulating nomination papers for Larkin and for full ward and district tickets. They will be ready for filing in a short time.

The Young Men's Republican club, the pay roll organization that is to operate under the title of Independent party, has not indorsed Larkin. One of the Citizens leaders made an odd statement in this connection. He said, "That independent column gives us a good club." He did not explain.

George W. Guthrie is to head the Democratic city committee and manage Larkin's fight for re-election. James A. Clark, the present city chairman, says he has told Larkin he will step aside. Clark is retaining a strong grasp on the county organization and although he is quitting the city chairmanship, he will not lose control of the committee. The delegates to the Democratic city convention comprise the city committee. The majority of them will be set up by Clark. There will be 254 delegates in the convention.

Beinhauer Is Mentioned.

F. C. Beinhauer of the Twenty-ninth ward, is mentioned as a Republican candidate for controller. He is prominent in the Republican organization and was once a candidate for mayor.

There was a story printed yesterday in which it was announced City Chairman Leslie had called in Allegheny Republican leaders and discussed with them the slating of North Side candidates on the county ticket. When asked concerning the truth of the statement, Leslie replied:

"There is no truth in the story. It is like a number of other stories of a similar character published in certain organs of the discredited Citizens party for the purpose of creating dissatisfaction among the Republican voters."

Vice President-elect Charles W. Fairbanks may be the honor guest at the next banquet of the Crucible club. James F. Burke returned from the east yesterday where he had been to see Senator Fairbanks.

Judgment has been entered for the defendant in the mandamus proceedings against President Joseph B. Smith of the Howard sub-district school, to compel him to certify to the election of Dr. C. Blyholder as representative on the central board of education. The court finds there is no specific law compelling him to certify.

May Disband G. A. R. Post.

Members of Gen. A. A. Humphries Post 535, Grand Army of the Republic, of Millvale, will meet tomorrow night to discuss the advisability of surrendering their charter. The membership has been reduced to 30, many of whom have moved into other districts.

First Volunteers in Mission Fields.

FAIRBANKS' SEAT FOR HEMENWAY

Congressman Will Succeed Vice President-Elect in the Senate.

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATES

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Representative James A. Hemenway of Indiana, chairman of the house committee on appropriations, telegraphed Speaker Cannon today that all the candidates for Senator Fairbanks' seat in the senate had withdrawn, leaving him (Hemenway) a clear field in the Republican caucus.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—By the withdrawal of Representatives Landis and Harry S. New from the contest for the seat in the senate occupied by Vice President-elect Fairbanks, Representative Hemenway is practically conceded the election, which will be held by the legislature early in January. Friends of Mr. Hemenway believe that his election, as well as that of Senator Beveridge, will be by acclamation.

The Thirteenth district members this afternoon met at South Bend and indorsed Mr. Hemenway. In their withdrawal announcements both Mr. Landis and Mr. New conceded Mr. Hemenway's election.

VALPARAISO, IND., Dec. 3.—Congressman Edgar D. Crumpacker, before leaving for Washington this evening, stated he had not withdrawn his candidacy for the United States senate to succeed Charles W. Fairbanks, and that he had no intention of doing so.

AMERICUS CLUB NOMINEES.

Names of Candidates Suggested for the Election on January 7.

At the meeting of the Americus club last night the following nominations were made for officers for the coming year, the election to take place on January 7:

President, S. J. Wainwright, Jr.; vice president, Robert J. McElroy; recording secretary, George S. Houghton; corresponding secretary, John D. Littell; treasurer, H. C. Wettingel.

Board of Trustees—George W. McCandless, J. Harry Letsche, A. C. McLain, H. Irwin, Jr., E. G. Hays, John C. Dilworth, James Kirkwood, Edward Schauer, A. A. Adams, F. J. Schrader, J. Negley Cooke, W. I. Mustin, S. H. Ralston, William Schempp, J. B. Barbour, Jr., C. H. Humbert. Major, H. W. McIntosh; captain, Charles Stewart, A. E. Best, James Lytle; first lieutenant, N. R. Evans, Hower C. Stewart, W. B. Hofer; second lieutenant, John H. Nielsaum, C. S. Youngson, Harry Sellers, Robert K. Cochran, M. W. Hedden.

Membership Committee—H. M. Laughlin, Charles F. Sheriff, Walter Andrews and William Germain.

Forty-four active members and one life member were elected, making a total of 470 members elected during the year.

FOX WILL NOT RESIGN.

Member of Central Board Intends to Hold His Seat.

John T. Fox, member of the central board of education for the Eleventh ward, will not resign his seat. He says he will ignore the action of the local board.

The Eleventh ward directors on Friday night adopted a resolution requesting Fox to resign, because he had refused to obey the instructions of the board and vote against the purchase of the Magee property for a high school site.

Junk Dealer Arrested at Depot.

Henry Driver, a junk dealer of 5 Stayton street, Allegheny, was arrested at noon yesterday at the Ft. Wayne railroad's North avenue freight station, charged with attempting to steal a brass journal bearing. He was held for court.

COMMON COUNCIL MEETS WEDNESDAY

Republicans in Lower Branch Will Fight for Filtration Plans and Specifications.

NO OPPOSITION IN SELECT

The 10 filtration contract ordinances will be passed finally by select council tomorrow and a special meeting of common council will be held Wednesday night to pass the bills on first reading. Director Bigelow admits that he had not the necessary three-fourths vote in common council to suspend the rules to put the bills through at one session, and he says two or three meetings of that branch will be held. The call for the meeting of common council will be issued tomorrow.

Owing to the absence from the city of President Wightman 14 members signed the call for the special meeting of select council, which was issued yesterday. From all indications the 10 ordinances for the construction of the filtration plant will go through select council tomorrow without opposition. Dr. H. B. Burns said yesterday there would be no organized opposition to the bills and if any opposition at all is offered it will be by one or two members.

The Republican members of common council will oppose the passage of the contract ordinances until councils are furnished with plans and specifications of the contracts. Director Bigelow has said he is willing to give the plans and specifications to councils when they are printed, but they will not be printed for a week or two yet. The resolution to secure this information was defeated at the last session of common council.

James H. McQuade, the contractor who declares his intention of bidding for the filtration contracts, has gone to Washington, D. C., to make a minute inspection of the plant which the government is building there. McQuade said before leaving that he had arranged for a couple of filtration experts from New York to meet him in Washington and to go over the Washington plant. McQuade said the information he gets at Washington is to be used in preparing his bids.

Mrs. Dalzell "At Home."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Mrs. John Dalzell, wife of Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, was "at home" this afternoon, having with her as her house guest Mrs. W. S. Dalzell, who will leave for her home in Pittsburgh tomorrow.

DIED.

CRAIG—On Friday, December 2, at 5 p. m., WILLIAM A. CRAIG, husband of the late Miranda Craig, aged 78 years 5 months and 22 days, formerly of Mt. Washington.

Funeral from the residence of his son, William M. Craig, No. 7632 Frankstown avenue, near Brushton avenue, on Monday at 1:30 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

COOKE—At Marion, Indiana, SAMUEL COOKE, aged 62 years. Late of Allegheny city and Co. D, 123d regiment, P. V. Interment at Marion Monday at 10 a. m.

ELDER—At his home, 6358 Aurelia street, East End, on Saturday, December 3, 1904, at 2:15 p. m., PROF. J. B. ELDER.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral services at his late residence on Monday, December 5, at 8 o'clock p. m. Services and interment at Elder's Ridge, Pa., on Tuesday, December 6, at 11 a. m.

FRIDAY—On Saturday, December 3, 1904, at 9:10 a. m., at the residence of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hermes, corner of Boyd and Watson streets, PETER JOHN FRIDAY, son of Harry A. and Amelia Hermes Friday, of diphtheria, aged 1 year 1 month 5 days.

Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

KEIM—KATHERINE KEIM, mother of Mrs. W. C. Bernardi, aged 79 years.

Funeral from residence of W. C. Bernardi, corner Calhoun and Southern avenues, on the suburban line, Monday morning, December 5, at 9:30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Joseph's church, Mt. Oliver, at 10 a. m. Interment at St. Michael's cemetery. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

KINCAID—On Friday, December 2, 1904, JENNIE B. KINCAID (nee McVicker).

Funeral services at residence of her father, W. B. McVicker, 1519 Fulton street, Allegheny, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Interment at Cucamonga, Cal.

KURTZ—Suddenly on Saturday, December 3, 1904, at 3:40 p. m., ALBERT J., husband of Annie Kurtz, at his residence, 83 Cicero alley, Allentown, Thirty-first ward, aged 33 years.

Funeral services Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Members of Plasterers' International association No. 31, Allentown Turners and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LEAN—On Saturday, December 3, 1904, at 7:35 p. m., at his residence, 208 E. Stockton avenue, Allegheny, CHARLES CAMPBELL LEAN, aged 65 years.

Notice of funeral later.

MAWHINNEY—On Saturday, December 3, 1904, at 4:20 p. m., after a brief illness, HELEN ESTELLA MAWHINNEY, youngest daughter of Robert and Carrie Mawhinney (nee Patterson), aged 9 months and 19 days.

Funeral services Monday at 2 p. m. from the family residence, 206 East Park way, Allegheny. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

[Mansfield (O.) papers please copy.]

MOREWOOD—On Saturday morning, December 3, 1904, at 5:15 o'clock, at St. John's General hospital, JOHN N. MOREWOOD, in his 56th year.

Funeral at McClure Avenue Presbyterian church, Allegheny, on Monday at 2 o'clock.

WIEHAGAN—On Friday, December 2, 1904, at 6:45 p. m., ROSE WIEHAGAN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wiehagan, aged 1 year and 8 months.

Funeral from family residence, 229 Franklin street, North Braddock, Pa., today at 1:30 p. m. Services at St. Joseph's church, Braddock, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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WORKED 50 YEARS AMONG HEATHEN

Foreign Mission Endeavor of United Presbyterian Church Was Untiring.

FIRST WOMAN IN FIELD HERE

Vivid illustration of the reward of perseverance is shown in the work of the United Presbyterian church in the foreign mission field during the past half century, the termination of which will be observed at the semi-centennial convention to be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Sixth United Presbyterian church, North Highland avenue.

The three important fields of foreign mission work of the church are Egypt, Northern India and the Soudan. The work in Egypt was begun just 50 years ago, in 1854, by the Revs. Thomas McCague and James Barnett. Early work was difficult, owing to an unstable government in Egypt and the bitter opposition of the Mohammedans. During the first year only 10 attended services, and during the first five years but four converts were received. Now there are 57 individual missionaries in Egypt, some 13,000 attend services every Sunday and 6,000 are regularly enrolled members of the church. There have been 169 day schools established, while a college at Assuit has 600 students and a theological seminary has been established at Cairo.

The Punjab district in Northern India is larger than the combined area of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Jersey. In 1855 the Rev. Andrew Gordon and his sister, Miss Elizabeth, who will attend the coming convention, began work in Sialkot. For years they labored without much encouragement. Today the church has 59 missionaries, 890 native workers and over 9,000 church members. A college, theological seminary, 134 day schools and several industrial schools have been established with a total enrollment of 9,000 students. Recently the workers in India have asked the home church to send out 180 additional workers for that field, while an appeal for 280 additional workers has been received from Egypt and Soudan.

Upward of 1,000 lay and clerical delegates from all sections of the United States are expected to attend the semi-annual convention. Among the speakers on the program are some of the most distinguished men and women in the church, including many who have labored for years in the missionary field. Women delegates will hold a special session on Wednesday evening, when Mrs. E. M. Hill, secretary of the women's foreign mission board will preside. Among those who will be present will be Miss Elizabeth Gordon, known throughout the church as "Aunty" Gordon, who for 45 years was a missionary in India.

WANTS TO BE COUNCILMAN.

Edward G. Lang to Try for Nomination in Allegheny.

Edward G. Lang of Allegheny is a candidate for the Republican nomination for common council in the Eleventh ward. Mr. Lang was a Democrat until 1900, when he voted for McKinley for president. In 1899 he was the Democratic candidate for mayor against James G. Wyman, who was elected. Mr. Lang is in the real estate business.

John R. Henricks is the present common councilman from the Eleventh ward, but he intends to try to be the administration's candidate for select council.

The Death Roll

Thomas Barnett Elder.

Thomas Barnett Elder, aged 70, familiarly known as "T. B." by his former students, passed away at 5:15 p. m. yesterday at his home, 6058 Aurelia street, East End, where he had been living since last April. He had lived at Elderridge on a farm taken up by his grandfather toward the close of the eighteenth century. His death was not unexpected, as he had suffered a third stroke of paralysis and had been unconscious for several days. Prof. Elder was graduated from Jefferson college in the class of 1855. Among his classmates were Judge John M. Kennedy of this city and many other well-known men. He was a professor in Elderridge academy for over 30 years, and many of the students, over 100 being in this city and vicinity, received their college preparation under his instruction. All regarded him a most accomplished scholar and efficient teacher. He was a gifted writer and his letters to his old students are highly valued by them. He was for some years assistant principal of the academy, but would never accept the position of principal because of his well-known modesty. Mr. Elder was an elder for many years in the Presbyterian church at Elderridge, as was his father before him. On December 22, 1858, Prof. Elder was united in marriage to Mary, daughter of John Barnett, on the same day that his cousin and college classmate, the Rev. Dr. James S. Elder, was married to her sister, Nancy. The Rev. Dr. John M. Barnett of Markleton married his sister Martha. He was an uncle of Col. James Elder Barnett, son of the Rev. Dr. Barnett. Prof. Elder is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Nettie, wife of Dr. W. T. Larimer of Allegheny, and Miss Margaret, and two sons, Wilson, who still resides at Elderridge, and John of the Edison Manufacturing Company of Detroit. He was a standing guest of honor at the gatherings of the Elderridge Academy Old Students' association, who missed him for the first time at their annual banquet and reunion held last week. A resolution of sympathy was then adopted and sent to the family.

Alexander Todd Irwin.

Alexander Todd Irwin, one of the oldest residents of Pittsburgh, died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at his home, 729 Maryland avenue, East End. He was in his 82d year.

Mr. Irwin was born on the Irwin estate, Wellbrook, near Cookstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, and came to this country in the early 40s. He engaged in the manufacture of boilers and engines and followed this line with considerable success for a number of years. With his brothers he then went to Madison, Ind., where they built the Madison Pearl starch Factory, manufacturing a brand of starch that became known all over the country. In 1878 he returned to Pittsburgh and made this city his home, having practically retired from all business. He was well known throughout the East End. He is survived by his widow, Sarah Francis (Miller) Irwin, and four children. The Misses Mamie M. and Carrie S. are residents of Dublin, Ireland, and James A. and Mrs. E. C. McQuiston reside in this city. Funeral services will be held at the family residence Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in the Allegheny cemetery.

Charles C. Lean, Sr.

Charles C. Lean, Sr., aged 65, one of Allegheny county's first manufacturers of fire brick, is dead at his residence, 208 East Stockton avenue, Allegheny, after an illness of several months. Mr. Lean was born in Scotland, and came to Pittsburgh about 50 years ago. He became identified with the Savage Fire Brick Manufacturing Company, remaining with this concern for 10 years. He was connected with other firms, but about two years ago retired from active business. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Second Presbyterian church. Mr. Lean is survived by his widow, three sons, Harry R., Robert B. and C. C. Lean, Jr., two daughters, Miss Bessie, at home, and Mrs. F. C. Robison of Bellefonte, Pa., and one brother, Daniel R. Lean of Pittsburgh.

John Newton Morewood.

John Newton Morewood, aged 55, died yesterday morning of typhoid pneumonia at St. John's General hospital. He was a native of England and had been a resident of this country for 12 years. For the last 10 years he served as janitor of the McClure Avenue Presbyterian church, Allegheny. He is survived by his widow, five daughters and four sons. Funeral services will be held over the remains at the family home, 10 Eckert street, Allegheny, at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow.

Samuel Cooke.

Word was received in Pittsburgh yesterday of the death at Marion, Ind., of Samuel Cooke, aged 60, a former well-known resident of Allegheny, where he was engaged in the painting business. He was a veteran of the civil war, serving with Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-third regiment, Pennsylvania volunteer infantry. He is survived by two brothers, W. C. Cooke of Bellevue and Montgomery Cooke of Allegheny, and a sister, Mrs. Solomon Hobson of Allegheny. Mr. Cooke's remains will be buried at Marion tomorrow morning.

David H. Williams.

David H. Williams, president of the First National bank of Smithton, died yesterday from paralysis, aged 65. He was also a director of the First National bank of West Newton. Besides his banking interests he was a large dealer in real estate. He was born near Smithton and had lived nearly all his life near that town. He is survived by his widow and several children.

Mrs. Thomas Farrell.

Mrs. Bridget Farrell, aged 62, died yesterday at the family residence, 806 Mellon street, Braddock, after an illness of two months. She was born in Ireland and was the wife of Thomas Farrell. She was a member of the St. Thomas Roman Catholic church of Braddock.

Obituary Notes.

A dispatch received in New York yesterday announced the death of Mrs. Andrew C. Weeks, eldest daughter of Bishop Cyrus Foss of the Methodist church, at Alhambra, Cal.

James Murphy, a well-known resident of Perryopolis, died yesterday, aged 81. He had lived in Perryopolis for more than half a century, conducting a store in that town. He was born in Fayette county.

Margaret Heron, aged 64, wife of Dennis Heron, died Friday night at her home in Morningside avenue, Wilmerding. She was born in Ireland and had been a resident of Wilmerding for many years. She was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic church of Wilmerding.

George Munsch of Butler died Friday at the home of his niece, Mrs. Adam Schultz, in Chicora. He was born in Zittersheim, Germany, in 1820, and had lived in Armstrong county since 1846. About 1850 he was one of a party of Butler men who journeyed overland to California in search of gold. Returning to Butler, he followed farming until 1887, when he became connected with the Klingler flouring mills. He was a member of St. Mark's German Lutheran church of Butler.

MEMORIAL RINGS.

William Montgomery and Col. Samuel Moody Remembered by Senator Quay.

William Montgomery and Col. Samuel Moody have received memorial rings from the estate of Senator M. S. Quay. Provision was made in the will of the senator for the presentation of these remembrances. It was the only bequest made to others than the members of the family.

The rings were made in Philadelphia. They are gold seal rings and on the crest are the initials "W. M." and "S. M." The signet opens as a locket in which is enclosed a likeness of Senator Quay, enameled on gold. The only inscription is "M. S. Quay, May 28, 1904." The date is the day of Senator Quay's death.

STEEL COMPANY OFFICERS HELD UNDER HEAVY BAIL

John Robinsteen, former president of the Eleanor Iron and Steel Company of Irwin, now in the hands of a receiver, and George Robinsteen, superintendent of the concern, were held for court by Alderman McMasters yesterday on a charge of embezzlement made by George E. Guyer, receiver for the company. The former is accused of embezzling some $40,000, and the other defendant $6,000. Bail aggregating $12,000 was furnished.

Has Three Trades; Wants Wife.

James I. McCleary, giving "General Delivery," Pittsburgh, as his address, has written the mayor of McKeesport asking him to find the writer a wife. He states he is a widower with three good trades, is steady, sober and industrious.

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PLENTY OF WATER TO BE WATCHWORD

Republican Aspirants for Municipal Positions at Altoona Advocate Popular Policy.

IMPROVED SUPPLY IS NEEDED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

ALTOONA, Dec. 3.—In the coming important municipal election which is drawing so near at hand the Republicans here are not only elated over the prospect of having an excellent ticket selected from the splendid array of aspirants, who are in the field for the nomination for the different offices, but the early stand the candidates are taking on the water supply question, the main issue involved, is certain to bring about a great victory for them at the polls. It is evident the people are not willing to let another year go by without covering up any future shortage in their water supply and the Republican aspirants are already coming forward with pledges to take the necessary steps toward looking after this important requirement.

While some comment is made on advocating a meter system, the popular demand is made that water be secured in abundance. By such method it is asserted there is no apparent doubt but what it will aid in the continuance of cleanliness and also restrict and probable danger to the general health of the residents. It is also strongly advocated that the large out-lay of money needed to purchase meters and afterward keep them in repair would be sufficient to buy outright the possession of pure mountain streams which are in this vicinity and give to the people a most adequate and liberal supply of water which would last for all future period.

There is no doubt but what the recent threatened famine has awakened the citizens to the responsibility of giving the matter their serious attention. Plenty of water is to be the watchword and the local Republican ticket is in the field to secure it for the people and that means the positive assurance of success and retirement of the present Democratic administration.

VENEZUELA MUST SOON DECIDE ASPHALT CASE

Uncle Sam Will Be Firm in Dealing With the Southern Republic.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Venezuela's attention will again be called in a very firm manner to the disappointment this government feels at the continued delay in the decision by the supreme court of Venezuela in the case of an American asphalt concern which has been pending for a long time. The dissatisfaction of this country with affairs in Venezuela is shared by the powers of Europe.

Great Britain, France and Italy, perhaps more than the others, are having serious troubles with their claims, their commerce and their citizens. The European powers realizing the delicacy of the situation which would be created by a forceful collection by them of their claims, hesitate to act. They would prefer that the American government bring Venezuela to a realization of her shortcomings. The policy of this government will not be announced for the present.

The state department is acting with all the patience it can command, and the American legation at Caracas will again endeavor to obtain at least an intimation regarding the probable date of a decision in the asphalt case. This decision may or may not leave the way clear for the consideration of grievances equally important.

SOCIETIES AT LAFAYETTE CHOSE THEIR DEBATERS

Dr. Bull Engaged for Two Years More as Football Coach—Prof. Chandler Lectures.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

EASTON, Dec. 3.—Two literary societies of the college have just held their preliminary contests for representation in the senior debate to be held on Washington's birthday. In Washington hall the question for debate was: Resolved, That the open shop is the only policy consistent with American ideas of personal liberty. The successful contestants were: G. H. Fickes, D. F. Latam and C. Ross, alternate, F. C. Thompson, all of Pennsylvania. In Franklin hall the question for debate was: Resolved, That the subway tavern offers a hopeful solution of the liquor problem. The speakers chosen to represent the society are: H. C. Edgar and E. F. Farquhar of Pennsylvania, C. A. S. Kemper of Indiana, alternate, W. V. Berg of New York.

Dr. Bull has been engaged for two years more as coach for the varsity football team. The season just past has been a very successful one, the only instances of defeat being in the games with Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania, and the game with Swathmore being the only one in which Lafayette won by a small score.

The lecture by Prof. Charles F. Chandler of Columbia university on Thursday evening was well attended. The subject of the lecture was "The Electro-Chemical Industries at Niagara Falls."

DOG FIGHTERS WERE FINED.

Thanksgiving Day Mill Had Its After-Clap in Alderman's Court.

Three dog fighters, who enjoyed the sport of seeing a couple of bulldogs chew each other to pieces Thanksgiving day, were fined $10 and costs yesterday by Alderman Oyer, or given the alternative of 20 days in jail. The informations were made by Humane society agents. The defendants were James Wilson, David Jenkins, an employe of the department of public works; and Elmer Snowden of the Fourteenth ward. They all paid their fines.

The fight took place in a pit at the head of Davis Island dam. About 50 sports chartered the steam launch Wabash and went to the place about 2 p. m. The dogs did not want to fight at first, according to the evidence, but preferred to arbitrate matters and be friendly. They were both taken out of the ring and whipped for their peaceful proclivities, after which they went at each other right. The fight lasted about two hours and both dogs were horribly chewed up. A number of other informations are expected to be made.

Custom Cutters to Banquet.

The Greater Pittsburgh branch of the Custom Cutters' Association of America will hold its first annual banquet at the headquarters in the Bessemer building next Thursday evening. One week after the banquet the association will elect officers for the ensuing year, who will attend the national convention of the association at Philadelphia on January 24.

Postponed the Dedication.

Owing to the failure of the contractors to complete the new Christ Lutheran church, Caldwell street and Ciara avenue, Wilmerding, the dedication has been postponed until Sunday, December 18. The dedication services will be in charge of the pastor, the Rev. H. C. Michael.

A Valuable Booklet.

The Pittsburgh Finance Company, of which W. J. Black, a member of the Pittsburgh stock exchange, is managing director, is sending out a very useful pocket memorandum booklet. Besides a calendar for two years, there are many pages devoted to valuable information, such as values of foreign coins, rules for computing interest, principal armies and navies of the world, tables of weights and measures, antidotes for poisons and blank pages for accounts of stocks bought and sold, records for insurance policies and for accounts and memoranda. A duplicate of the book will be sent on receipt of 2-cent stamp.

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These shoes should have been sold a month ago, but the weather has been against selling winter shoes—hence we

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A $5 Shoe for

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Men's Patent Colt, with matt kid top, and plain toe, a very dressy button shoe of splendid style.

Ask to see No. 274

A $5 Shoe for

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Men's Vici lace, leather lined, seamless vamp, double sole, made on the famous Sager footform last, and a rare bargain.

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A $6 Shoe for

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Men's genuine waterproof tan Blucher—calf lined, with double sole through to heel. A shoe that will appeal to all.

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A $6 Shoe for

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Men's black Elk skin waterproof, calf lined, heavy viscalized sole, newest lasts and built for comfort as well as service.

These shoes represent the dignity of shoemaking, and can stand the test of inspection without fear of any criticism.

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As this, the most sensational carpet and rug news ever spread before the eyes of any public, gets more instilled into the people's minds, so does the most-special sale grow in volume. Last week's business was greater than that of the week before, and this week will see a still better record.

Continually arriving shipments from our tremendous $123,000 purchase of the five-million dollar auction, Alex Smith Auction Stock keep the lines full and complete despite the heaviest selling ever witnessed in these cities. Special interest will be created this week by yesterday's arrival of a particularly fine line of Axminster, Brussels and Wilton Carpets.

The product of Alex. Smith & Son needs no description. Everybody who has ever bought carpets or rugs knows that there are no better goods made, none finer in appearance or none so splendid in wearing-quality. Everybody knows what these goods sell for regularly. Everybody can see that we are actually selling them for fully ONE-THIRD LESS than real value. OTHER STORES CAN'T BUY SAME GOODS AT WHOLESALE AT THESE PRICES, AS WAS PROVED WHEN SMITH'S TRAVELING SALESMAN SOLICITED THE TRADE OF THESE CITIES LAST WEEK.

SALE DOESN'T AFFECT WHITE'S POPULAR TERMS OF CREDIT. THEY ARE EXTENDED TO YOU JUST AS CHEERFULLY AS EVER, AND MAKING, LAYING AND LINING IS STILL FREE, A SERVICE FOR WHICH CASH STORES CHARGE YOU 15 CENTS A YARD.

If You Don't Want Your Carpets or Rugs Till Christmas, You Can Buy Now at the Wonderful Prices, and We'll Measure the Room and Make the Carpet, Ready for Delivery and Laying When You Want It.

Smith's Brussels Carpet—regular retail price 90c a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **63c**

Smith's Brussels Carpet—regular retail price $1.05 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **74c**

Smith's Brussels Carpet—regular retail price $1.20 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **83c**

Smith's BB Grade Brussels—regular retail price $1.35 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.02½**

Smith's AAA Grade Brussels—regular retail price $1.45 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.10**

Smith's Wilton Velvets—regular retail price $1.35 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **95c**

Smith's Wiltons—regular retail price $1.90 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.40**

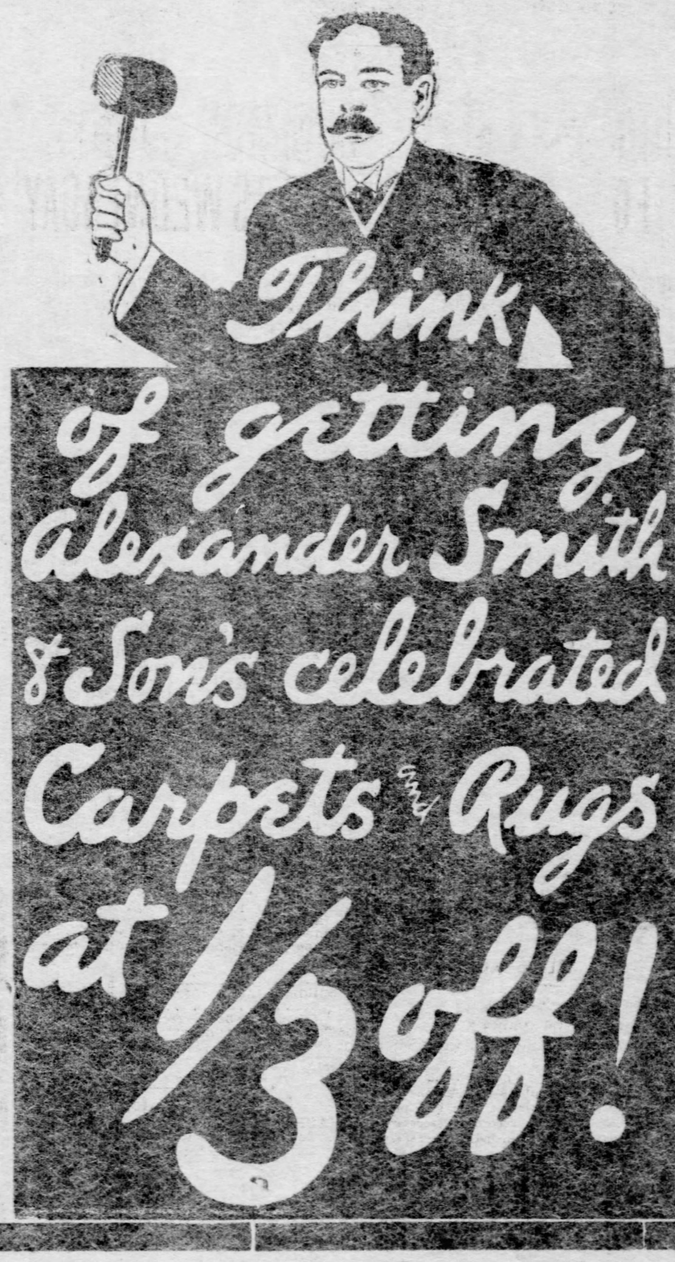
Smith's French Wiltons—regular retail price $2.50 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.80**

Smith's Axminsters—regular retail price $1.40 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.05**

Smith's Extra Axminsters—regular retail price $1.65. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.17½**

Smith's Best Axminsters—regular retail price $1.90 a yard. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$1.33**

Smith's Tapestry Rugs—6 feet by 9 feet—regular retail price $11.50. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$7.00**



Smith's Tapestry Rugs—9 feet by 9 feet—regular retail price $15.25. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$9.85**

Smith's Tapestry Rugs—9 feet by 10½ feet—regular retail price $17.75. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$10.65**

Smith's BB Brussels Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $19. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$13.50**

Smith's BBB Brussels Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $22.75. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$15.25**

Smith's AA Brussels Rugs—9 ft. by 12 feet—regular retail price $26.50. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$18.00**

Smith's AAA Brussels Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $31. Will be sold during this sale for.. **$22.25**

Smith's "E" Grade Axminster Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $27.50. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$19.75**

Smith's "J" Grade Axminster Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $34. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$24.00**

Smith's Wilton Velvet Rugs—9 feet by 12 feet—regular retail price $34. Will be sold during this sale for..... **$24.75**

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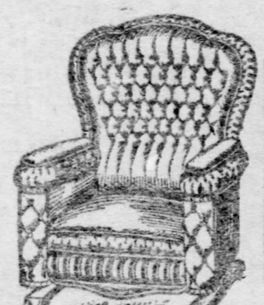
Other oak and mahogany Writing Desks from $5 up to $40.

Music Cabinet—beautiful pattern in golden oak or mahogany—in the high-rent district $11.50 is its price. At White's for **$7.75**

Others from $5.50 up to $58.00.

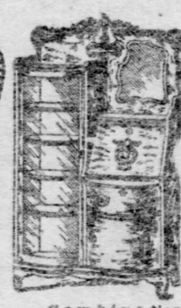
Dressing Table—exquisite pattern in golden oak or mahogany—worth $22, for..... **$16**

Others from $7.50 up to $68.00.

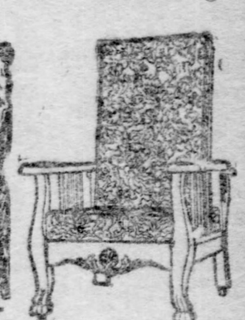


Leather Turkish Chairs and Rockers—large variety of splendid productions, upholstered in highest grade of genuine leather, and best hair filled—worth $65.00—for..... **$37.50**

Other Turkish Chairs from $21 up to $105.00.



Combination Bookcase — handsome new production, in polished golden oak — undoubtedly value elsewhere at $25. White's price **$15.50**



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15c and 19c ribbons at 10c

TOMORROW we offer 1,000 pieces of all kinds of pure silk ribbons, including satin taffeta, plain taffeta and fancies, 3 to 4 in. wide, all good colorings including plenty of holly red and green—our regular 15c and 19c ribbons, Monday only at 10c yard.

Pure silk baby ribbon, all colors, bolt of 10 yards for only 10c.

What do you want for your Christmas Gift?

"THE Big Store" is a world of inspiration. Every aisle is alive with thousands of hints and suggestions. Seekers after Christmas goods will be relieved of much perplexity and anxiety, too, if they come here—for turn whichever way they will, multitudes of practical, sensible, rich and beautiful things, suitable for gift bestowal to friends and relatives will greet them.

Every floor, from basement to roof is now filled with everything that the human heart could wish for, from Toys and Dolls to Precious Jewels and costly Art Wares.

Christmas show for the children on our fifth floor!

Bring in the children to see the minstrel marionettes. The show begins at 10 A. M. and is given hourly, the last performance beginning at 4 P. M. It is a most amusing entertainment, irresistably funny from start to finish—and is attractive to both juvenile and adult. The life-like actions of the comical marionettes will keep the children in a continuous roar of laughter from start to finish. It's one of the most amusing novelties ever offered to the children of Pittsburgh. Do not fail to bring the little ones—**remember the show is free—it does not cost you a penny**—come as often as you choose. Every mother should bring her children to "The Big Store" to see the marionettes, as its the best entertainment ever devised for the little folks.

Read this poem on Toyland to the children

You are invited, all you little girls and boys, with your older sisters and brothers,
To visit Toyland, whose treasures of toys will cheer you—and your fathers and mothers.
Don't fail to come, it's a jolly good place, chocked full of gayety and mirth.
You'll have lots of fun, so make haste, as it's the jolliest place on earth.
For good little girls, here are dollies galore, and a world of other things dear;
For good little boys, there's a thousand things more from a choo-choo to animals queer.
Ho! Ho! for the pleasures of Toyland where everything's gay and light.
Ho! for the good town of Joyland, that's filled with a world of things bright.
You'll jump for joy at the toys you'll see, you'll be tickled, so surely come.
You'll stare in amaze and dance with glee and wonder where all the things came from.
Santa Claus awaits you, one and all, Old Kris your dear friend true.
Just tell him your wants and ask him to call, and if you're good, he'll be good to you.

Chautauqua blackboards and desks combined.....98c

Leather seat revolving desk chairs—special. 1.48

Bent wood chairs—cherry finish, cane seat, 1.75

Large flag drums—calf-skin top and bottom.....98c

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Jack Horner tenpins—10-in. size highly varnished, set..48c

Boys' tool chest—containing good assortment of tools, complete.....1.98

Spelling boards—any word can be spelled by moving the buttons.....75c

Double horse shoe fly, with reed back and cushion seat—special.....1.98

Decorated china dishes—tea pot, cups and saucers, sugar bowl and cream pitcher, complete set for.....75c

Hobby horse on rocker—with padded saddle and stirrups, for..98c

Boys' and girls' watches with chains—tick just like the real article, two styles, 10c and 25c

Printing presses, with complete outfit—type, cards, ink, bronze and tweezers—for.....98c

The "Miller" toy—very amusing....25c

Indestructible wire go-carts—sure to please the little girl—special.....98c

Jointed dolls—with short or long hair, moving eyes, sewed wig, shoes and stockings, at.....98c

Doll heads—all sizes, moving and stationary eyes, 25c up

Savings banks with key—bronze, oxidized or nickel....87c

Oak folding desks—with blackboard...98c

Dress goods

AMONG the thousands of neatly boxed dress patterns we've prepared for holiday gift buyers, we direct special attention to those marked

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as they're most exceptional values.

A special in black skirt and dress patterns—each containing from 3 to 8 yards of such wanted fabrics as 54 in. broadcloth, melton, thibet, pebble cheviot and ziboline—44 in. cheviot, popiln, serge, prunella, satin soleil and silk and wool crepe—and 50 in. worsted, panama, clay serge, hopsacking and Sicilian—every pattern worth at least $4, choice.....2.95

45 in. silk and wool French crepe de Paris, in all the pretty and delicate tints for house and reception wear, also cream and black—$1.25 quality, special tomorrow, yd..69c

54 in. all wool French venetian, broadcloth, covert and panne zibeline, the most wanted fabrics for coat suits and tailored costumes—full dollar quality, special tomorrow at, yd.....59c

Specials tomorrow among the

Holiday Perfumes

THE regular 50c one-ounce bottle California rose extract, in beautiful decorated boxes, tomorrow for.....25c

A handsome decorated box containing a bottle of perfume, a cake of soap and a package of sachet—special.....25c

3,000 half-oz. bottles perfumes—each in a prettily decorated box, all odors—regular 25c goods, tomorrow.....2 for 25c

A large assortment of Rickseker's finest perfumes, in cut glass bottles, from.....50c to 5.00

Human Hair goods

(3d floor, adjoining millinery.)

IT'S by offering such inducements as the following that our hair goods department is going to keep busy during the holiday gift buying season:

Our regular $5 pompadours—special for the next three days at.....3.50

Regular $5 switches—22 in. long, weight 2 oz., special for the next three days at...2.50 and 3.50

Going to dress up any dolls? We've a very large assortment of baby doll wigs ranging in price up from.....1.00

Large assortments of gray switches and pompadours at very special prices.

We rent wigs for all occasions.

Manicuring, shampooing and hairdressing at reasonable prices.

A million handkerchiefs

Initial handkerchiefs — daintily embroidered with a small initial surrounded with wreath, at 8⅓c, 12½c and 25c

AND more will be distributed by "The Big Store" during the next three weeks. Handkerchiefs always have been and always will be the "standby" of an army of holiday shoppers.

A handsome fancy handkerchief box free with purchases of $1 or over.

Women's lace trimmed handkerchiefs—200 styles of dainty lace trimmed handkerchiefs with sheer linen centers—every new idea of lace edge and inserting is represented in this assortment—the value is exceptionally great at.....25c

Children's initial handkerchiefs—a fancy picture box containing 3 children's embroidered initial handkerchiefs, in plain white or with colored initial—box.....25c

Extra special for Monday—women's sheer linen hemstitched handkerchiefs at 5c—think of it, fine sheer linen hemstitched handkerchiefs for only a nickel—not the ordinary 5c linen handkerchiefs, but those which always sell for 10c—full size, laundered ready for use—500 dozen go at, each.....5c

Gloves

YOU need have no hesitancy about giving her a pair of gloves for Christmas—no woman can have too many.

75c will buy women's two-clasp style imported French kid gloves, with the new silk embroidered backs and over-seam sewn; also heavy mannish walking gloves with one large clasp, all shades for evening and street wear—real $1 values.

1.00 will buy a pair of our "Juliette" French glace kid gloves—two or three-clasp, silk embroidered or Paris point back, over-seam or pique sewn.

1.50 will buy a pair of our swell "Norwood" gloves—glace or suede, over-seam sewn, three clasps, newest Paris embroidered backs—unmatchable gloves at the price.

2.00 will buy a pair of the famous Trefousse "Shelbourne" pique kid gloves, with one large pearl button, all shades for evening and street wear, also white with black stitching and black with white stitching.

The boys' winter clothes

HOW about a new suit or overcoat for a Christmas present? Every lad appreciates new clothing, particularly if it be given him in the nature of a gift. By taking advantage of our present offerings you can effect sufficient saving to buy him something else in either dress accessory or plaything.

Boys' long overcoats—and fancy reefers, buttoned up to the neck, trimmed with brass buttons, would be good value for $3 and $4, special Monday at.....2.00

Boys' $5 suits and overcoats at 3.00—these are made of strictly all wool serges, cheviots, cassimeres, worsteds, etc. The styles in the suits are Buster Brown, sailor, double breasted and Norfolk—the overcoats include the extra long all wool belted back, all the regulation styles and the popular reefers, in addition to novelty overcoats, sizes 2½ to 16, choice.....3.00

Boys' $7.50 and $8.50 clothing at 5.00—very swell attire for young America—single and double breasted, Russian blouse and Buster Brown suits—tourist, belted back and all the other new styles of overcoats, all sizes, 2½ to 16—our regular $7.50 and $8.50 garments, this sale.....5.00

Young men's suits and overcoats—the regular $12 and $15 sort, suits in either the single or double breasted styles; overcoats long and medium length, our special price.....7.75

Knee pants special—odd pairs of boys' knee pants to match suits, including some of the celebrated "Sam Peck" make, worth 75c to $1.50, to be closed out at.....44c

Petticoats Dressing Sacques

PETTICOATS, dressing sacques, etc., figure largely in the mutual interchange of Yuletide gifts among women. Here are some unusual pricings:

Taffeta silk petticoats—five new styles, black and colors, with silk or cotton dust ruffles, special Monday.....4.90

Silk moreen petticoats—a very special lot, new umbrella style, black and colors, special Monday.....2.25

Women's kimonos—of dark and light colored fleeced goods or crepon, special Monday.....98c

Women's short kimonos—made of pretty Persian pattern German flannels, special Monday.....65c

Rich silk dressing sacques—trimmed with lace, all colors, very beautiful garments.....3.98

Women's bath robes—of all wool elderdown, all colors, satin bound with tassel, special Monday..2.98

Millinery

BY dispensing with profits—that's the way we're going to boom millinery selling while the gift buying spirit is rampant. Take these trimmed hats which we offer

Tomorrow at 1.95

for example. You'll not find equally pretty and tasteful styles elsewhere for $4 or even $5. And there are fully 200 to choose from.

Equally great values in finer trimmed hats, also in new flowers, new ostrich plumes, new millinery furs, new laces, etc.

Practical Xmas presents: coats and furs

COULD you give wife, mother, daughter or sister anything likely to touch the chord of appreciation more sincerely than a cloth, velvet or fur coat, or a scarf or muff? And a gift of either one of these articles reflects your good judgment. At the present time—owing to the clearance of manufacturers' surplus lines and odd lots of our own, we are in a position to name prices far below those which usually prevail before Christmas.

Women's new short coats—in kerseys, cheviots and coverts—loose effect with belted back, fitted effect, strapped or plain box jackets, lined throughout—regular $10 jackets for.....5.00

Women's fine covert and kersey coats—in light and medium tans or English mixtures, newest styles, silk lined throughout—regular $14 coats at.....8.50

Women's very nobby jackets—of fine kersey, covert or silk zibeline—regular $20 jackets, this sale.....10.00

Women's three-quarter length coats and the new paddock style coats, tight fitting, made of kerseys and cheviots, silk lined throughout—regular $25 coats, this sale.....14.00

Women's swell broadtail plush and velour jackets—25 in. long, collarless effect, lined with silk—regular $14 coats, this sale.....7.50

Women's elegant silk velour or broadtail coats—fitted or semi-fitting style, jacket or three-quarter length, trimmed with silk braid—real $45 coats, this sale.....25.00

Women's superb evening coats—in broadcloth, velvet and lacy effects, most exquisite creations, short or three-quarter length; embroidered, braided or plain effect; white, tan, champagne shade, black or green—at three special prices,

25.00, 35.00 and 45.00

New fur scarfs—four-in-hand or cluster scarfs, also double pelerine shape in squirrel, marten and fox—regular $6.50 furs, this sale.....3.98

Genuine Russian squirrel fur sets—of newest style fur scarf and flat pillow muff, in natural or blended squirrel, would be good value for $18, this sale, per set.....10.00

Fine chinchilla scarfs—shaped at neck, finished with ornaments and chenille fringe, fancy satin lining—furs well worth $33, this sale.....22.50

Fine eastern mink scarfs—pelerine style or shaped at neck, short or extra long, tail or fringe trimmed—real value $37.50, this sale.....25.00

Blended Hudson bay sable or baum marten scarfs—ornament or tail trimmed—regularly sell for $45, this sale.....25.00

Genuine Leipsic dye Persian lamb jackets—fitted back, large storm collar and revers—real value $85, this sale.....59.00

Misses' and children's fur sets—an assortment that comprises over 50 different styles, consisting of flat or round muff and pelerine or collar shape scarf, in fine beaver, Krimer, angora, fox, thibet, ermine and all other furs—every set made of selected fur—the prices range from 15.00 down to

5.00, 2.98, 1.98, 1.25 and 98c

Leather Hand bags

WE start the holiday season with the biggest and best line of leather bags ever shown anywhere. In order to stimulate early buying we give

A gold plated Medallion initial free

with every bag costing 98c or over.

Special For Monday:

Regular $1.50 and $1.75 hand bags for 1.00—we've just 500 of them and they'll likely all go with the day. They're made of solid sealion grain leather with riveted gold frames, leather inlaid and strongly braided leather handles—black, brown and tan, moire lined, at.....1.00

Our purchase of rugs

AT the recent trade auction of the entire stock of Alexander Smith Sons & Co., N. Y., enables us to quote prices on the various sizes of axminster, velvet and brussels rugs which it would be impossible to name in the regular way. The savings you may effect by buying now range from 1-3 to ½ below the usual prices.

9x12 ft. seamless wilton rugs

in 20 splendid patterns, always $35, in this sale at...19.75

Alexander Smith & Sons' handsome axminster rugs—made without seams, rich, dark Oriental colors, also pretty light effects for parlors—

12x15 ft. size, regularly $45, at 27.50.

9x12 ft. size, regularly $25, at 16.75.

10.6x13.6 ft. size, regularly $35, at 25.00.

Splendid Brussels rugs—artistic, serviceable and inexpensive—

9x12 ft. size, regularly $16.50, at 11.50.

9x10½ ft. size, regularly $12, at 8.75.

Alexander Smith & Sons' hearth rugs—

$4.50 Wilton velvets, 36x72 in., at 2.75.

$5 Axminsters, 30x72 in., at 2.95.

$3.50 Wilton velvets, 27x54 in., at 1.75.

$3 Axminsters, 27x63 in., at 1.65.

Silk mohair rugs—full 36x72 in.—pretty reds and greens—$12 value at 9.50.

All Oriental rugs, 25% off

Our entire stock of Oriental rugs without reserve or exception now offered at 25 per cent discount from marked prices. Examples:

$4 handsome Anatolian mats, less 25%, 3.00.

$8 Carabaugh rugs, less 25%, 6.00.

$16 antique Shirvan rugs, less 25%, 12.00.

$20 Kazak and Kurdistan rugs, less 25%, 15.00.

$40 Iran rugs, less 25%, 30.00.

$60 Afghan Khiva rugs, less 25%, 45.00.

$100 room size Persian rugs, less 25%, 75.00.

Gas heating stoves

TAKE your pick—according to the condition under which you wish to use them. You're apt to need one to warm up a room quickly—even if the furnace ordinarily does most of the work.

This "Monarch" gas heating stove, with asbestos back wall, brass reflectors 2.39

The "Jeroms" gas heater—with base burner, asbestos back wall, copper reflector, 2.25

The genuine old reliable "Pittsburgh" heating stove—finished in Berlin black, will heat large rooms...5.50

The "Monarch" No. 66 gas heating stoves—with low atmospheric burner, asbestos back wall and iron front.3.75

This "Westminster" gas heater—equipped with Adler's Victor burner, splendid heater for 2.50

This "Acme" gas heating stove—asbestos back wall, best Victor burner, will heat a room 16 ft. square, 3.50

This "Drum" heating Stove—equipped with excellent Star burner, 85c

Victor burners, for fire grates, any size 39c

Sheet iron fronts—for asbestos grates, any size.....25c

Complete grate sets—of asbestos board, fiber; glue, burner, mixer pin and sheet iron front, for.....1.15

This radiator—with 4 sheet iron tubes, heavy cast iron top and base, for.....1.75

The clubs are rapidly filling

THE club memberships are limited, bear that in mind, so after the clubs are filled there's no further chance for you to buy a sewing machine, phonograph or set of books through this plan. It's one of the most liberal offers that has ever been made, for it necessitates the spending of but a single dollar in order to become a member of either of the three clubs.

1.00 secures a set of books at once—or a phonograph at once—or a sewing machine at once.

How? You simply join, pay $1 membership fee and the sewing machine, phonograph or set of books you select will be sent to your home.

Our library club offers you the best works of standard authors, splendidly bound in half morocco binding.

Our sewing machine club offers you the choice of any sewing machine in the house, prominent among which are the well-known Demorest.

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Call at the store and let us explain the club plan to you

THE GROWING POLITICAL POWER OF THE MORMON CHURCH TOLD OF BY SENATOR DUBOIS OF IDAHO.

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JURY'S SCOPE IN FIXING DAMAGES

Lawyers Contend They Have the Right to Increase as Well as Decrease Amounts.

SOME PECULIAR VERDICTS

"The right of a jury to increase the amount of damages awarded a plaintiff in any case, has been a mooted question with the bench and bar in many of the lower courts of the state for some time," said Attorney S. G. Bafley, "although it was thought the matter would finally reach the supreme court in the Gudfelter case, a test suit following the Sheridan disaster, which cost the Pennsylvania railroad a large sum of money indirectly, for many cases have been settled since that suit was determined. The question was not before the supreme court, only the main and technical contentions of the defendant being heard on appeal.

"In the Gudfelter case the attorneys only asked for $10,000, although it was believed they had asked for $25,000. However, the jury had all the papers in the case, and when the verdict was returned it was found the jury had exceeded the amount the plaintiff wanted, giving him $11,400 with interest, which finally totaled over $12,000. The kind intentions of the jury, however, almost resulted disastrously for the plaintiff, for, while it is not known what the exact outcome would have been, had it been reversed and the case sent back for a new trial, a smaller amount might have been realized.

Not the Important Point.

"The railroad, however, in this case, did not care particularly what the verdict was, as it was anxious to test the main contention, that the injuries which resulted to Corks run people were not caused directly by the accident, but by an intervening cause. If the railroad had not agreed to the verdict the question would have had to be met first, and a new trial, if it had been granted, might have delayed the final decision as the technicalities raised by the defendant. The attorneys, therefore, agreed to permit the plaintiff's statement to be amended to include the amount of the verdict.

"The general public often wonders why such fabulous sums are asked by plaintiffs who sue for minor injuries, and who would usually settle the case for a teuth of the amount demanded. The Gudfelter case gives a solution. A number of simllar cases in the past few years has caused attorneys to be careful that they ask for enough money, and when $50,000 is demanded for some slight injury, it only means that if they make out a strong case, the jury can have all the latitude it wishes in determining the amount of the verdict.

Might Work Both Ways.

"Many attorneys, however, contend that as juries have the right to cut down the verdict to any sum it thinks sufficient, it should have and has the right to raise it if the facts so warrant on the trial of the action. The question is now before one of the courts in an important case, which may yet reach the supreme court."

It is seldom a suit in trespass is brought without a large sum in damages tacked to it, although in one instance, a few years ago, an attorney asked $20,000 damages for a soiled dress and settled for $75. Many ridiculous amounts are demanded in trivial cases, where there is no possible chance of a jury determining anything like the sum appended to the affidavit. The traction companies are special victims in this respect, for few suits are brought against a traction company for less than $25,000, while the history of verdicts in the county show that $18,000 is about the largest verdict in a traction damage case secured in recent years, and in the great majority of the cases, the defendant wins and no damages are awarded."

Value of Life and Limb.

It is a peculiar feature of courts and juries, and seemingly an injustice is done, when a life is regarded as being of less value than a severe injury. If a family recovers $5,000 for the death of a man earning an average salary, it gets about the limit, one court in New York deciding that $5,000 is the maximum value of an average man's life, while at the same time an injury that keeps the same man from providing for his family may net him twice the sum.

In the case of Clara Schmidt, a young girl who was compelled to jump for her life from the third story of Kelly & Jones' building during a fire in Water street, $8,000 damages was awarded for permanent injuries and suffering, yet her earning power was but a few dollars a week.

A few years ago a verdict of $18,000 was awarded to an Allegheny plaintiff who had his groin cut during a collision between a street car and a train on the Ft. Wayne railroad, and the verdict stood the test of a supreme court appeal. Most large verdicts which pass the scrutiny of the lower court eventually stand, although in rare cases the supreme court sends a case back for retrial on technical grounds and even larger verdicts are secured. Sympathetic cases or those in which women are plaintiffs, usually go hard with the defendant if the case gets to a jury.

VETERAN LEGION OFFICERS.

Encampment No. 1 Names Its Leaders for the Next Term—Lecture by Gen. Wheeler.

Encampment No. 1, Union Veteran Legion, will elect officers tomorrow evening at its regular meeting. The candidates are: For colonel, J. M. Lowry and S. M. McCloskey; lieutenant colonel, J. H. Hoffer; major, J. W. Eberhart; surgeon, J. P. McCord; chaplain, D. C. Boggs and F. L. Blair; officer of the day, Thomas Gilfillan; quartermaster, E. T. Saint; trustee, (three years), F. C. Dorrington.

Gen. Joseph Wheeler of the confederate army and late of the Spanish-American war will lecture for the encampment at Carnegie hall in the near future. Gen. Wheeler has refused to accept any pay for his lecture, but simply donates it to the men against whom he battled in the days of '61 to '65. The proceeds will be used for the charity fund.

The encampment is growing and two new members were mustered in last week. They were Richard S. Jones, Company L, One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Pennsylvania volunteers, and John Neill, Company A, Eighty-fifth Pennsylvania volunteers.

Col. G. W. Harsha, who was recently appointed an aid on the staff of the national commander, was presented with a handsome badge at the last meeting of the encampment.

Last Wednesday evening a number of the comprades went to Canonsburg, where they attended the birthday celebration of Comrade Cowan. He was 64 years old and was the recipient of two handsome easy chairs, one from his comrades and the other from the burgess and citizens of Canonsburg.

WANTS TO FIND HER SISTER WHO STARTED FOR CHICAGO

Mrs. Sarah Kelly of Gibbon street called on Superintendent Wallace yesterday and asked him to make some inquiry for her sister, who she thinks is lost or was perhaps killed some place between this city and Chicago. Mrs. Kelly went to the Union depot nine weeks ago with her sister and bid her good-by when she put her on a train for Chicago. She has had no word of her since, although her sister was to write to her as soon as she arrived there. Mrs. Kelly has written to friends in Chicago, who say the sister did not arrive.

THE WOMAN'S STORE · EASILY REACHED BY ALL CARS

ROSENBAUM COMPANY

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If you understand furs, you will buy here, because our qualities and styles are unquestionably the best. If you are not familiar with fur values, you should buy here because our furs can be absolutely relied upon. The magnificent varieties will impress you with the vast business we do. As we've said before—we have the best values in good furs and wish to proclaim it as emphatically as possible. We trust you will investigate both our furs and our statements—nothing is so convincing as an actual inspection.

Very Handsome Mink Muffs—blended or natural, at **$16.50**

Isabella or Sable Fox Scarfs, double length—natural fluffy brushes, at **$13.50**

Chinchilla Neck Pieces, new fancy shapes—4-in-hand ties, at $55, $40 and **$25.00**

Very Handsome Mink Neck Pieces—in all of the new shapes, trimmed with natural mink tails and claws—in scarfs, ties and novelties—blended or natural, at **$25.00**

Ermine Muffs—at **$43.50, $50 and up.**

Chinchilla Muffs—at **$55 and $65**

Ermine Neck Pieces—in all of the newest shapes, at **$15.50, $20, $25, $40, $50 and up.**

New Seal Capes—full sweep, skinner satin lined, high rolling collars, worth $45—Monday **$36.50**

New Seal Capes—very full sweep—full rolling collar, edging of genuine marten—worth $50—Monday **$39.50**

New Seal Coats—very finest quality—new shape sleeve—22 or 24 inches long—skinner satin lining—worth $55, Monday **$42.50**

Sturdy Kid Gloves

If this store were famous for nothing else, its reputation would rest secure on its gloves. Every season we better our qualities — throwing out all that do not give satisfaction. This year there are many new faces in our glove dep't—gloves that will wear you better than any we know of—styles that fit and look dressy. Of course we put them up in a fancy Xmas box with a neat holly card free of charge. Be sure to give our kind of gloves and your gift will be appreciated. Besides, you will get better gloves for the money.

Immense assortments of Ladies' and Misses' mannish, overseam, pique and suede Gloves—$1, $1.25, $1.50 and $2

Women's and children's fleece lined cashmere Gloves—50c, 75c and $1.00.

Gauntlet Cashmere Gloves—$1.00.

Golf Gloves—25c and 50c.

Infants' 1-clasp Kid Gloves—mannish effect—just like "papa's"—pair $1.00.

Handkerchiefs

One of the oldest and best known New York firms, both in the wholesale and retail business, has decided to give up its wholesale handkerchief dep't. We purchased our entire line of linen embroidered goods from them, and quite a few of our lace trimmed linen effects. We averaged a saving of from 20 per cent to 40 per cent—and have marked our handkerchiefs on a proportionate basis. The prices are 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c, $1, $1.25 and $2.00—ordinary prices, we know—but when you see them you'll know such fine linen, such elaborate embroidery and such excellent laces were never before employed in handkerchiefs at these figures. The varieties are astonishingly large—and we know you'll be delighted when you see how beautiful these handkerchiefs are.

We still have quite a few of those sheer linen, elaborately hand embroidered initial Handkerchiefs for ladies; positively worth 25c each, for..... **15c**

Monday from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. we will place on sale a lot of 150 dozen Children's cotton hemstitched Handkerchiefs at..... **25c doz.**

Please remember for variety and values our handkerchief dep't is not surpassed by any in Western Pennsylvania. The goods prove it.

Skirt Patterns of Dress Goods ½ and ⅓ Under Price

Not only do we offer you these handsome reductions on excellent fabrics—but we'll put them up in a pretty holiday box for you and give you a lovely card decorated with holly besides. Remember the bargains are on entirely new goods, the choicest fabrics for fall and winter wear, and the values are greater than ever before given at this time of the year. You couldn't think of a more practical gift.

Colored Skirt Patterns

Fancy Tweeds, Zibelines, Check Suitings, Mohairs Henriettas, Sanglier Cloth, Cheviots, Twines, Broadcloths and Meltons; worth in the regular way from $3.00 to $3.50; a full skirt pattern of each, at only..... **$1.89**

Scotch Tweeds, Basket Cloths, Nub Zibelines, English Suitings, Panne Sicilians, Mohairs, Prunellas, Broadcloth, Whipoords; worth in the regular way from $3.50 to $5.00; a full skirt pattern at only..... **$2.49**

Fine stripe English Suiting, Invisible Stripe and Check Suitings, fine French and German Novelties, Chiffon Voiles, Silk and Wool Crepe, Venetians, Crepe-Engadine, Panamas, Satin Face Broadcloth, etc.; worth in the regular way from $4.50 to $6.00; a full skirt pattern of each, at only..... **$3.19**

Black Skirt Patterns

Fine Basket Cloth, Crepe Cheviot, Panne Zibeline, Satin Face Broadcloth and Venetians, Nub Etamines, Unfinished Worsteds, Henriettas, fancy Granites, Panama Suitings, etc.; a full skirt pattern of each, worth from $3.75 to $4.50 a pattern, for only..... **$2.98**

French Voiles, Silk and Wool Crepe, Etamines, Melrose, Satin Damasse, Prunellas, Crepe Armure, English Sicilians, Figured Panamas, Kersey and German Broadcloth; a full skirt pattern of each, worth in the regular way from $5.00 to $7.00 all go at a pattern..... **$3.95**

Figured Challies in beautiful satin stripes, dots, Persian designs, etc., all choice bright colors; regularly sells at 45c; for Monday at..... **25c**

Special Values in Silks

Prices for Monday only. Silks are of most dependable grades and in patterns most in vogue now. The savings are enormous—there never was a time when you could give a gift so acceptable for so litle money.

50 pieces of fine Novelty Silks, in fancy checks, broken stripes, hairline stripes, Shepherd checks, neat figures, etc.; styles expressly made for the shirtwaist suit and waist; regularly sell at 65c and 75c, for Monday at.. **39c**

60 pieces of new Corded Wash Silks just received, in beautiful fancy cords, Roman stripes, Persian colorings, etc.; suitable for waists, children's wear and kimonos; grade that always sells at 50c, for Monday at..... **39c**

French Crepe de Chine, full 24 inches wide, and one of the best crepes made; comes in a full range of colors, including white, cream and black; an actual $1.00 value for Monday at..... **69c**

36-inch Shepherd Check Taffetas in black-and-white, blue-and-white, brown-and-white; made of pure silk 5 yards sufficient for the full dress; the best $1.25 grades for Monday at..... **85c**

Black Taffeta Silk with "guarantee-to-wear" woven in the selvage; a very lustrous, pretty quality that will make a splendid dress or waist, 69c grade for.... **44c**

20-inch double face Black Pean de Soie fully guaranteed to wear; a superb quality of bright lustrous silk; the very best $1.00 grade for Monday at..... **75c**

English Costume Velvets; in illuminated stripes, polka dot effects; fancy figures, etc.; all the choice street shades, made to sell at $1.00, for Monday at half price.. **50c**

35c Princess Sateen, 25c. | **25c Scintilla Linings, 17c.**

"Arco" Corsets Are Best

You've often heard it said that "if you want to be sure a thing is done right, do it yourself." An excellent principle—"Arco" Corsets. They are made and one we've made use of in our exclusively for us by one of the best corset makers in the country. They embody those details which our long experience with the corset wants of Pittsburgh women has taught us will meet their requirements most satisfactorily. A Pittsburgh corset for Pittsburgh women—a corset of grace, comfort, style and beauty. They are the most perfect corset we know. A full line to suit every figure. We have them in fine imported Coutil or Diamond Batiste, and fancy silk batiste—with or without hose supporters—in price from **$3.00 pair** up. They cost a bit more than ordinary corsets—but they're well worth the difference from the standpoint of comfort, style and service.

We also have at our Corset Dept. an assortment of Sachet Bags and Forms, in silk and other fine materials, also the well-known Pneumatic Bust Forms which are healthy and light in weight. We also display a line of Fancy Silk Hose Supporters, suitable for Xmas gifts—(corset dept., 3d floor—Fifth Ave. and Market St.).

Wide Aisles, Long Counters, Good Light

in addition to the largest asortment of materials, made-up articles, art linens, pillow tops and lace pieces are the inducements which should bring you to the new location of our Art Embroidery Department in our Market street stores. Dainty, refined and inexpensive Gift articles, as well as exquisite linens are here. Just a few specials.

Shaving Pads — stamped cover with pad..... **20c**

Shaving Pads—larger size, new style linen cover, stamped and tinted..... **50c**

Stamped and Tinted Calendar Covers—with boards, lining and calendar—three designs—Owls, Oh Joy, and Holly—complete for working..... **48c**

New and Dainty Needle Book—cover stamped and tinted, boards, lining and plaited flannel leaves, complete for..... **25c**

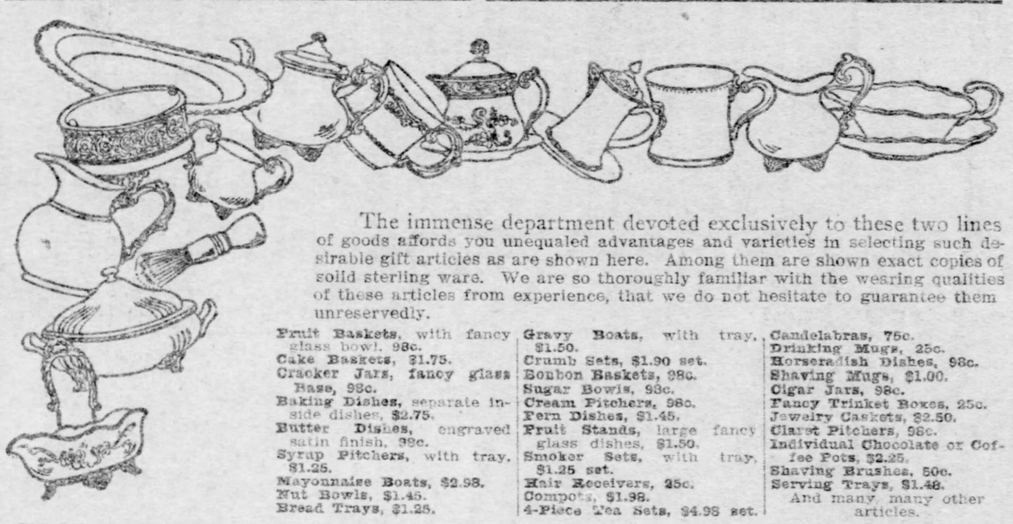
Books for Collecting Souvenir Postals with stamped and tinted covers; Holly design only—most appropriate for Christmas gifts—cover and book for..... **75c**

Battenberg Doylies — linen centers and deep lace edge.
- 8-inch size—special, 12c
- 12-inch size—special, 30c
- 20-inch size—special, 75c

Yard Square Hand Tinted Table Covers—made of a new beautiful art cloth—basket weave, holly, poppy and wild rose design..... **50c**

Birch Bark Photo Frames—a souvenir from the sweet woods of Maine—fitted with glass, back and easel—at 50c, 75c, 50c and 25c.

Gift Articles in Quadruple Plated Silverware and Rogers Bros. "1847" Silverware



The immense department devoted exclusively to these two lines of goods affords you unequaled advantages and varieties in selecting such desirable gift articles as are shown here. Among them are shown exact copies of solid sterling ware. We are so thoroughly familiar with the wearing qualities of these articles from experience, that we do not hesitate to guarantee them unreservedly.

Fruit Baskets, with fancy glass bowl, 98c.
Cake Baskets, $1.75.
Cracker Jars, fancy glass Base, 98c.
Baking Dishes, separate inside dishes, $2.75.
Butter Dishes, engraved satin finish, 98c.
Syrup Pitchers, with tray, $1.25.
Mayonnaise Boats, $2.98.
Nut Bowls, $1.45.
Bread Trays, $1.28.
Gravy Boats, with tray, $1.50.
Crumb Sets, $1.90 set.
Bonbon Baskets, 98c.
Sugar Bowls, 98c.
Cream Pitchers, 98c.
Fern Dishes, $1.45.
Fruit Stands, large fancy glass dishes, $1.50.
Smoker Sets, with tray, $1.25 set.
Hair Receivers, 25c.
Compots, $1.98.
4-Piece Tea Sets, $4.98 set.
Candelabras, 75c.
Drinking Mugs, 25c.
Horseradish Dishes, 98c.
Shaving Mugs, $1.00.
Cigar Jars, 98c.
Fancy Trinket Boxes, 25c.
Jewelry Caskets, $2.50.
Claret Pitchers, 98c.
Individual Chocolate or Coffee Pots, $2.25.
Shaving Brushes, 50c.
Serving Trays, $1.48.
And many, many other articles.

Extraordinary Prices on 1847 ROGERS BROS.

"1847" Gravy Ladles, 35c.
"1847" Cold Meat Forks, 68c.
"1847" Beef Forks, 66c.
"1847" Pie Knife, $1.35.
"1847" Oyster Forks, set of 6 in fancy box, $1.60 set.
"1847" Teaspoons, set of 6, $1.25 set.
"1847" Ice Cream Spoons, set of 6 in fancy box, $1.70 set.
"1847" Cream Ladles, 70c.
"1847" 3-Piece Carving Sets, $5.98.
"1847" Orange Spoons, set of 6 in fancy box, $1.55 set.
"1847" Sugar Shells, 45c.
"1847" Dessert Spoons, set of 6, $2.20 set.
"1847" Butter Knife and Sugar Shell, in fancy box, 98c set.
"1847" Child's Knife, Fork and Spoon, in box, $1.10.
"1547" Medium Soup Ladle, $2.10.
"1847" Butter Knife, 50c.
"1847" Ice Spoon, $1.10.
"1847" Medium Table Knives and Forks, set of 6, $2.15 set.
"1847" Tablespoons, set of 6, $2.50 a set.
"1847" Dessert Knives and Forks, set of 6, $2.10 set.
"1847" Fish Fork, $1.85.
"1847" Fancy Handle Table Knives and Forks, $2.40 set.
"1847" Berry Spoons, $1.10.
"1847" Sugar Tongs, 80c.
Etc., Etc.

Our enlarged jewelry department should prove attractive to you on account of the immense assortments of thoroughly reliable gift jewelry we carry. You will wonder how such good jewelry can possibly be sold at such low prices.

Solid Gold Jewelry

Solid Gold Brooches, set with genuine diamond, $6.59.
Solid Gold Sunburst Brooches, $5.00.
Ladies' Solid Gold Link Buttons, $3.00 pair.
Men's Solid Gold Link Buttons, $3 pair.
Men's Solid Gold Link Buttons, set with genuine diamonds, $13.50 pair.
Solid Gold Scarf Pins, set with genuine diamonds, $4.50 set.
Solid Gold Beauty Pins, $1.25 pair.
Solid Gold Earrings, jeweled with turquoise, $1.00 pair.
Solid Gold Scarf Pins, 75c.
Solid Gold Cigar Cutter, jeweled with genuine diamond, $6.90.
Solid Gold Cigar Cutter, $5.80.
Solid Gold Necktie Clasps, $2.50.
Child's Solid Gold Signet Ring, 50c.
Misses' Solid Gold Signet Rings, $1.00.
Ladies' Solid Gold Signet Rings, $1.50.
Solid Gold Baby Rings, fancy or jeweled styles, 50c.
Solid Gold Baby Rings, with genuine diamond chip, 75c.
Boys' Solid Gold Rings, 98c.
Solid Gold Rings, with three genuine opals, $1.25.
Solid Gold Rings, set with genuine whole pearl, $2.50.
Ladies' Rings, with fancy stone settings, 98c.
And many, many other articles.

Sterling Silver Gift Articles 925-1000 Fine

Sterling Bar Pins, with brilliant white stones, 25c.
Sterling Dressing Combs, 50c.
Sterling Hair Brushes, $1.50.
Sterling Velvet Hat Brushes, 50c.
Sterling Cloth Brushes, $3.50.
Sterling Hand Mirrors, $5.98.
Sterling Polishers, 50c.
Sterling Manicure Pieces, 25c.
Sterling Bonnet Brushes, 50c.
Sterling Rattles, 50c.
Sterling Military Brushes, $2.75
Sterling Scissors, 50c.
Sterling Top Puff Jars, 50c.
Sterling Top Salve Jars, 25c.
Sterling Drinking Mugs, $3.75.
Sterling Match Safes, 98c.
Sterling Cologne Bottles, $1.25.
Infants' Sterling Spoons, 85c.
Sterling Bib Holders, 98c.
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The styles are most desirable, in fact, we liked them so well that we bought more than we should have. This is the only reason for this heavy reduction, and one or two days' selling should bring the stock down. After that regular prices will again prevail, as the goods are as desirable as any we know of.

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MORMON CHURCH POSSESSES POLITICAL POWER OF VALUE

Looking Forward to Holding the Reins of Federal Government.

ACTIVITY OF LEADERS

In Control of Temporal, Spiritual and Political Affairs of Their Followers.

CHURCH SUPERIOR TO STATE

BISHOP LUNT'S PROPHECY.

"Our church has been organized only 50 years, yet behold its wealth and power. This is our year of jubilee. We look forward with perfect confidence to the day when we will hold the reins of the United States government. This is our present temporal aim. Today we hold the balance of political power in Idaho. We rule Utah absolutely and in a short time we will hold the balance of political power in Arizona and Wyoming.

"Our people are obedient. Our vote is solid and will remain so. It will be thrown where it will do the most good for the church. Then, in some political crisis the two present political parties will bid for our support. Utah will then be admitted as a polygamous state and the other territories we have peacefully subjugated will be admitted also. We will then hold the balance of power and dictate to the country."—Address by Bishop Lunt of the Mormon church in 1880.

By Fred T. Dubois,
United States Senator from Idaho.

All that Bishop Lunt said more than 20 years ago has been more than verified. The Mormon church today practically holds the balance of political power in nearly all the intermountain states and territories.

It is difficult to describe the conditions in Utah and the surrounding country, where the Mormons are in great numbers, so that one not familiar could form an adequate idea of the situation.

Negro domination in the south would not be tolerated by the white man, and finally the entire north has come to sympathize with the white people of the south in their determination that the black race shall not be supreme in political affairs. The same principle is involved in the contest which the non-Mormons are making against the political control of the Mormon hierarchy. It is almost impossible for one who has not spent some time among the Mormon people and who has not studied conditions existing in the Mormon country to appreciate the tremendous power and influence which the leaders of the Mormon church have over their followers in all things political and temporal.

The Mormon church is essentially a commercial and political organization. The followers, for the most part, are simple minded and industrious people, who are content to live on farms and make out an existence for themselves and families. Their material condition is better than it was before they joined the Mormon church in Sweden, Denmark, or Wales, or England, or the southern states, or the backwoods of Indiana and Illinois.

Leaders Active in Business.

The leaders (and by the leaders I mean especially those who control the people in spiritual, temporal and political affairs, who are the first presidency and the 12 apostles) are, with rare exceptions, bright and active men of the world, and Americans. They are business men, and manage the church on business principles. Generally, they are well to do, and some of them are rich. They live nicely and mingle with men of the world in high positions on a perfectly easy and equal footing.

The church collects a tithe from all its members. It is taught constantly that the paying of tithings is a high duty, and that one cannot be in good standing in the church unless tithing is paid freely and fully. When a Mormon does not pay his tithing cheerfully, he is regarded by the heads of the church as "not a very good Mormon."

They pay this tithe, or 10 per cent of all their earnings, either in money or in kind. For instance, if a follower has 10 calves, but no money, he gives to the tithe collector one calf. If he has 10 tons of hay he gives one ton of hay. He can give the equivalent, of course, in money, but in a great many instances a poor Mormon has no money, and so gives in kind, no matter whether it is eggs, or butter, or cheese or chickens, or what not; the tithe collector turns this property over to the proper officers of the church, and the produce is disposed of and goes to the benefit of the church.

If you take into consideration that, in addition to this 10 per cent which every good Mormon must pay to the church, he is also called upon to pay his ordinary 3 to 5 per cent, you can easily see that the rank and file of the Mormon people cannot make much progress toward material prosperity.

Tithing at the present time is being freely given, and must amount to something in the neighborhood of two million dolars a year. This tithing is paid to the high officers of the church, and there is never any accounting to anyone for its disposition.

The Mormons are urged, in addition to the tithing, to contribute to the building of temples, and apparently enough money for the building of these temples has been collected to have built a great many more than there are.

Monopoly of Trade.

The leaders of the Mormon church are engaged in business enterprises of all descriptions. The Zion City Mercantile Institution is a great business establishment, dealing in all kinds of articles which department stores would carry, and has branches wherever there are Mormons. The Mormons trade with the establishment and it is almost impossible for a non-Mormon to compete with it in a community where the Mormons are in the great majority. The leaders of the church and those high in its counsels are the directors and managers and controllers of this big commercial institution.

The leaders are also presidents and directors of banks, mining companies, railroad companies, electrical companies, summer and bathing resorts, theaters, etc. In fact, the hierarchy and the church are controlling spirits in all sorts of business enterprises.

They are not made president of the church and apostles in the church because they are successful business men and because they are president and directors of these various business organizations, but they become directors and controllers in these organizations by virtue of being president of the church and apostles and after they have been selected as president of the church and apostles.

The constant tendency is to make the church and state one, with the church in control. This has been so completely and ingeniously carried out that it is impossible in any affair—temporal, spiritual or political—to tell where the authority of the church begins or ends. It is impossible to separate the ecclesiastical power of control from the political power of control. All authority in temporal, spiritual and political affairs unites and is centered and is absolute and binding in the hierarchy.

The organization of the church is very complete in its arrangement. The power begins and ends with the hierarchy. Nearly all members of the church are given some office and some responsibility, and there is an opportunity for advancement in all directions, ecclesiastical, temporal and political, if the Mormon is obedient to his leaders and accepts without question their counsel. There are comparatively few lay members of the church.

The smallest officers, such as teachers, are selected by the bishops of the various wards. Commencing with the bishops and going up in ecclesiastical authority, all the officers of the church are appointed with the approval of the president of the church. In other words, the president selects all the responsible officers of the church. Commencing at the lowest of the officers and going up in order to the president himself, you begin with the bishops of wards, who have jurisdiction over a geographical subdivision and are locally the recognized heads of the Mormons in that particular locality. They collect the tithings, settle disputes among the Mormons, look after church and secular affairs of the Mormons in their ward. Each bishop has two counsellors selected by himself.

Next above the bishops come the presidents of stakes. A stake is a much larger geographical subdivision of territory inhabited by Mormons. The president of the stake has two counsellors, appointed by himself. He is the highest authority, locally, in the Mormon church outside of Utah.

Above the presidents of stakes are about a dozen other officers, with different powers, until you come to the Twelve Apostles, who stand next in authority to the president of the church himself. All of these officers, including the apostles, are appointed directly by the president of the church, without consultation or restraint by anyone; or else, as in the case of bishops, they are approved by the president before their selection can be made valid. In the case of a selection of an apostle to fill a vacancy in the apostolic quorum the theory is that the apostles themselves fill this vacancy, but it is a fact that the president of the church asserts that he receives a revelation from God that a certain man shall be selected for this vacant apostleship, and the apostles unhesitatingly accept this revelation and select the man named by the president of the church.

Church Holds His Future.

Ecclesiastical preferment in the church means opportunities for temporal advancement. The business, social and political future of every Mormon depends upon his standing with the church. Every avenue is open to him so long as he implicitly obeys the counsel and does the bidding of the church, while every avenue is closed to him whenever he loses his fellowship in the church. There is nothing left for a Mormon who refuses to obey implicitly whatever policy the church may determine upon except to leave the church entirely and take his chances with the world, the same as non-Mormons do. For a Mormon, brought up in the church, to sever the ties which bind him to all his kindred and the associations, teachings and training of a life time is well nigh appalling. It means social ostracism.

The pretty fiction is given to the Mormon people and the world that all these officers of the Mormon church, including the president himself, must be selected by the people at their various conferences. This they attempt to prove from the fact that at these conferences the names of the first presidency and the apostles, the seven presidents of seventies, the presidents of stakes and the bishops are submitted to the people and they are asked to "sustain" them by holding up their hands.

The list includes a great many, of course, and I doubt if a case has ever been known where any one of the ten thousand people gathered in their semi-annual conference has risen in his place and objected to "sustaining" any officer submitted to the conference by the authorities of the church. I doubt if any provision is made in case such a dissent or protest should come. It never was contemplated that any member of the church would question the divine right of the authorities to select these officers. I imagine that if any one should have the temerity to object to "sustaining" officers submitted to the conference for their approval such a member would have to withdraw his objection or be disfellowshiped.

You can imagine what complete domination the church has over its followers through the powers of the president to appoint all the officers of the church by reflecting on the effect their selection by the president of the United States has on his appointees. As a rule, the president selects men to fill the federal offices who have demonstrated their acceptance of the principles of the party of which the president is the head and have been zealous in the advocacy of those principles.

Whenever a policy for a party is announced by the president of the United States and his close party associates, high in authority, these officeholders immediately become advocates of that policy. When you contemplate that these appointees of the president of the Mormon church are not (as is the case with the president of the United States) confined to one party, but embrace members of all parties, you can have some faint idea of their subserviency.

Tremendous Power Wielded.

When you take into account in addition that not only political preferment is involved in their acquiescence, but that every opportunity for advancement in all walks of life is dependent on their accepting the decrees of their leaders you can begin to comprehend the tremendous power politically which this hierarchy wields. Their every endeavor is to strengthen their position by extending political control. They are all powerful in Utah now, and can absolutely control all the political offices, including senators and representatives. They are so strong in Idaho that no one can be elected to any political office in the state, such as governor or United States senator or representative, without their acquiescence. This is equally true in Wyoming. They are becoming a large balance of power in Colorado and Oregon, and when the government irrigation enterprises are developed in Nevada, and large tracts of land are opened there for settlement, they can and will easily colonize and control politics in that state.

The church names the senators and representatives in congress from Utah, and no one can be elected senator or representative or governor in Idaho or Wyoming if the church is against him. The church is not strong enough yet in these two states to name the senators outright, but no one can be elected unless he is satisfactory to the heirarchy—no one is satisfactory to the heirarchy who opposes its methods.

It is the present condition and future menace politically that the non-Mormons of this section especially protest against. The non-Mormons in all this region have the same detestation of polygamy that the remainder of the country has, and join with the rest of the United States in their desire to protect and exalt womanhood and to enforce obedience and respect for the laws of the land. Those who have not come in contact with the organization, however, do not and cannot understand the effect on our free institutions and our system of government which this tremendous political power of the Mormon hierarchy represents. It is the chief desire of the non-Mormons in that section in which the investigation is now going on to make plain this close union of church and state and to arouse the country, so that, through congressional action, it will come to our rescue, and help us to break it down.

The lower branch of congress refused a seat to Brigham H. Roberts because he was a self-confessed polygamist. Roberts claimed to be a Democrat. He was a high official and is now a high official of the Mormon church and stands higher in the estimation of that organization than he did before he was deprived of his seat in congress. His highest ambition is to the Mormon church. Whether he calls himself a Democrat or a Republican is a mere bagatelle, and counts for nothing.

Reed Smoot's Standing.

Reed Smoot is not a polygamist, or, rather, no attempt is made to prove that he is a polygamist. He may be or he may not be. In his case this question does not particularly interest the non-Mormons who live in that section of the country. Reed Smoot is an apostle of the Mormon church. He is one of a body of twelve which, next to the first presidency, is the controlling authority of the church in everything spiritual, temporal and political. He would not have been selected as an apostle unless he was in full accord with the authorities of the church.

The fact that Reed Smoot was steadily promoted until he was finally selected to be an apostle is proof conclusive that he is in full accord with Joseph F. Smith, Mr. Lyman and his other brother apostles, who by their own statements and admissions, are openly living in polygamous relations in defiance of the law. In addition to that, it is not denied, but, on the other hand, it has been sworn to by the president of the church himself that Reed Smoot had to obtain the consent of the president of the church and his associate apostles before he could become a candidate for the United States senate.

The president of the church gave his consent that Reed Smoot should be a candidate for the United States senate. He did not give his consent that any other person should be a candidate for this high office. This consent was given openly and proclaimed to the people of Utah. There was no other candidate seriously considered for the United States senate at that election in either party because it was understood by every man, woman and child in Utah, the president of the church and the authorities of the church having given their consent, that Reed Smoot should be a candidate, that it was the desire and counsel of the church to the Mormons that Reed Smoot should be elected to the United States senate.

No other Mormon dared to announce his candidacy for the United States senate after the church had selected Reed Smoot. It was useless for any non-Mormon to become a candidate against the candidate of the church.

Reed Smoot, therefore, is clearly the senator of the Mormon hierarchy, and is unmistakably the representative of all that the Mormon hierarchy stands for, and would do the bidding of the church as a senator if the directions of the church came in conflict with the duties which he has sworn to perform as a senator of the United States. If Joseph Smith should receive a revelation from God on any subject this revelation would be binding on Reed Smoot, no matter what relation it might bear to the duties which he has sworn to perform under his oath as a senator of the United States.

Band of Conspirators.

It must be plain to anyone who has followed the testimony in the Smoot case that the Mormon authorities constitute a band of conspirators, whose object is to set aside and nullify the laws of the land when, in their judgment, such laws are in conflict with the duties which they owe to their organization, and that this conspiracy aims to make the state subservient to the church, and to concentrate in the hands of the church authorities the political powers which belong solely to the state. Reed Smoot is a part of this conspiracy as an apostle of the church. He is one of the head conspirators, and not only fully understands the objects of the conspiracy, but countenances and encourages, by his acquiescence and support, the plans and aims of the conspiracy.

Non-Mormons in that section where Mormon influence is predominant, believe that the separation of the church from the state, the denial of the right of the church to dictate and control the state politically and the breaking down of the church hierarchy in political affairs will have more to do with stopping polygamy than any laws which possibly can be framed or enforced against the practice of polygamy.

So long as the political power of the church authorities is maintained and exercised just so long will every avenue for advancement in all lines to the Mormon people be absolutely under the control of the Mormon authorities. Every incentive compels them, therefore, to accept the conclusions and the counsel of their authorities in everything spiritual, temporal and political.

The masses of the Mormon people do not approve of the continuance of polygamy and polygamous relations, nor do they approve of the union of church and state and the dictation of the church authorities in political matters. These conditions are no more pleasing to them than to the non-Mormons. Their own individual ambition is stifled, and their independence of action in political and temporal affairs is taken away. None would hail with more delight the complete abandonment of polygamy and political control by the leaders than would the great number of followers of these leaders. Their lives are so interwoven with the teachings and doctrines of the church and they are so dependent in every relation on the church organization, however, that they dread breaking away from it entirely and, rather than do that with all its attendant consequences, accept present conditions.

Would Stop Polygamy.

If the church authorities would give them absolute freedom of action and would not by their example and counsel teach them obedience to their leaders in political affairs and defiance of the law in respect to polygamy and polygamous cohabitation the great masses of the Mormon people would quickly put a stop to polygamy and would with vigor and energy exercise complete independence in all political matters.

It is my judgment that the masses of the Mormon people intended to live up to the promises made by their leaders to the government when statehood for Utah was secured. They believed their leaders were sincere when entering into a compact with the government that polygamy and polygamous relations would cease and that the church would not interfere in politics.

It is the constituted authorities of this organization that the government has to contend with and not the masses of the people.

So long as polygamy and polygamous relations are openly maintained by the leaders of this organization, and so long as the ruling authorities of the church claim and exercise the right to dominate the state politically, just so long will polygamous relations continue and just so long will the political power of the church authorities be maintained and strengthened. The followers and the great masses of the people will take the example of their leaders and will be guided by their counsel in all things. The hopes of the masses of the people are in the government, and in them the government has an ally in so far as their hopes and wishes will aid.

EKS' MEMORIAL SERVICES TO BE OBSERVED TODAY

Local Lodges Will Pay Annual Tribute to Dead, in Accord With Time-Honored Custom.

Memorial day will be observed universally today by all lodges of Elks. This annual tribute to the dead is receiving closer and more general observance by members of the order every year, and all local lodges have announced elaborate and appropriate services. Pittsburgh lodge No. 11, which has suffered the loss of 14 members during the year, will hold their services in the Nixon theater. Their list of dead for the year past includes: Meade David Detweiler, Harry A. Laughran, E. Z. Wainwright, James R. Tracy, John H. Wills, Charles Imrich, W. L. Shearer, Charles Wolfendale, T. Martin Brophy, Charles J. Pedder, L. N. Rohrkaste, James A. Cavanagh, David Davies, Jr., and A. L. Liggett.

The service will include vocal and instrumental music, readings, roll call of the deceased, addresses by members and prayer by the lodge chaplain.

Allegheny lodge No. 339, which has been bereft of 16 members during the past year, will conduct fitting services in the Gayety theater. As the loss during the year has been greater than the lodge has ever sustained since its organization in 1896, a special effort has been made to make the service especially impressive. Prominent soloists have been engaged and the Allegheny Elks Symphony orchestra will assist in the musical program. A. C. Moreland of New York lodge No. 1, the blind editor of the Elks' Antler, will be the principal eulogist, while members of the lodge will also speak.

Wilkinsburg lodge No. 577 will hold services in Trinity Reformed church this afternoon. The lodge has lost four members during the year—H. L. Kountz, W. J. McKinney, W. M. Porter and A. Davis. Music and addresses appropriate to the occasion will be given, while prayer will be offered by the Rev. Paul Leinbach. Similar services will be conducted at all points in this vicinity where lodges are established, in conformity with the laws of the order providing for an annual tribute to the dead.

Dr. Yost Killed by Car.

ALLENTOWN, Dec. 3.—Dr. Martin L. Yost, aged 70, while driving over the trolley crossing in south Allentown today was struck by a street car and instantly killed.

PITTSBURGH GIRL ABOUT TO BECOME A THEATRICAL STAR

Only Daughter of Theodore J. Shaffer is Organizing Her Own Company.

TO APPEAR IN HUSBAND'S PLAY

Mrs. Amy Shaffer-Barrymore, the only daughter of Theodore J. Shaffer, president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, is organizing a theatrical company. She will take the leading role in plays written by her husband, Jean Barrymore, whom she married a few months ago.

The company will be made up principally of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia talent. Among the members are Mrs. Bessie English-Carnahan; her husband, J. Carnahan, formerly with the King's School of Oratory, and R. R. Fisher and T. W. Walters, formerly connected with Harry Davis, the local theatrical manager. The company will be equipped with four plays—"The Iron Masters," "For Her Sake," "The Slave of Schranden," and "My Uncle From New York." The latter is a comedy. The towns where dates have been made by the company are Toledo, Youngstown, Lima, Wheeling, Zanesville, East Liverpool, Massillon, Piqua, Ironton and Morgantown. By the time the company is ready to start on the road it expects to be booked for the remainder of the season.

Rehearsals will be commenced tomorrow morning and continue two weeks, when the first performance will be given at Toledo. There will be 25 in the company, including the stage manager and director.

"Miss Amy Shaffer," the stage name adopted by the young tragedienne, is essentially a product of Pittsburgh, having lived here the major portion of her life. After being graduated from the High school, she entered King's School of Oratory, where she was graduated with high honors. Later she took several courses in eastern dramatic schools. Then she entered the ranks of the theatrical profession, where her abilities as a reader and her histrionic talents have won for her an enviable place. In her brief professional career, she has played with success such roles as "Leah" in "The Forsaken;" "Maslova," in "Resurrection," the name part in "Mamselle Mephisto" and "Regine" in "The Slave of Schranden."

Recently she had to abandon the stage owing to a painful surgical operation for an affection of the throat. Now she has fully recuperated and for that reason decided to finance a company of her own.

Jean Barrymore, husband of "Miss Shaffer" has spent years in the theatrical profession. Educated for the bar, and being admitted to practice, he soon tired of Blackstone and became a Thespian. He has played every kind of part, from Shakespearean roles down to low comedy, and is a playwright of some prominence.

Eleven Charged With Murder.

The jail calendar to be taken up tomorrow by the grand jury contains about 250 cases. Eleven persons are charged with murder and one with accessory to murder. The most important murder case is that of Franz DeBold, Sr., of Heidelberg, who is charged with cutting off the head of his young son. The others are: Julia Aler, George Kueera, Amelia Kraierbie, John Machalle, Emanuel Amosti, Daniel McCarthy, Thomas O. Russell, Jessie Reed, alias Jersey Red; Ervin Talnary, Joe Carmeolno.

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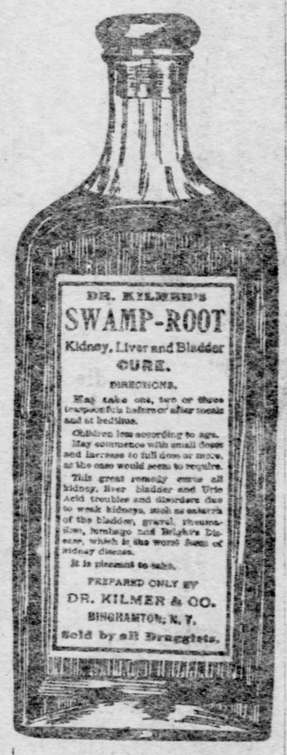

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for many kinds of diseases, and if permitted to continue much suffering and fatal results are sure to follow. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you dizzy, restless, sleepless and irritable. Makes you pass water often during the day and obliges you to get up many time during the night. Unhealthy kidneys cause rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints and muscles; make your head ache and back ache, cause indigestion, stomach and liver trouble, you get a sallow, yellow complexion, make you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambition, but no strength; get weak and waste away.

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MORE MINERS BADLY NEEDED

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

IRON MOUNTAIN, MICH., Dec. 3.—With the revival of the iron and steel trade every effort is being made by mining companies to open new properties, to help in filling the demand for ore which it is now realized means the greatest of prosperity for at least three years to come. Every company that has land in the Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota iron districts is sending out men with diamond drills, and in many cases the search for ore has been successful. Among the districts which have been opened up is the Baraboo, Wis., district, whose importance is being realized more every day. A 300-acre tract has been discovered near New Richmond, St. Croix county, Wis., where farmers uncovered mineral only from four to 10 feet from the surface, and drills show that the bed is from 10 to 40 feet thick, and of fine quality, equal to the best Mesaba ore. This makes 1,300 acres of ore bearing land in St. Croix county.

Some old mines which were thought to be shallow are being improved and are found to be far richer than was expected. The Tobin of the Corrigan & McKinney, which was opened to strip a supposedly narrow bed of ore, has been found to be of such value as to warrant the belief that in another year it will lead all the great Iron county properties in extent of production.

Will Sink New Shaft.

Diamond drill work in the neighborhood of the Kioman mine of the Flagler Iron and Steel Company has warranted the decision to sink a new shaft and develop the old workings and go to lower levels for ore.

The Shenango mine, a Mesaba range property of the Shenango Furnace Company of Pittsburgh, has been shipping 700 to 800 tons a day, in the effort to fill the company's yards for the coming prosperous winter. The Steel Corporation thinks that there may be untouched ore on its land adjoining the Jones & Laughlin company's Lake Angeline mine at Nagaunee. That an ore body exists there is known, but the question is on which side of the line the mineral is found. The Jones & Laughlin company, like other companies, is seeking new properties, and has started diamond drills on its track near the Rolling Mill mine, and it is reported that the drills show mineral of good quality.

The prosperity of the mining companies is resulting in a scarcity of labor. Dozens of mines could add 50 miners each to their properties if the men were to be had, and some labor troubles have developed in the Minnesota mines, but there is no trouble in the Lake Superior properties. The men in these mines are well paid and have no reason to complain of their treatment by the employers and what is more they appreciate this fact and strikes are almost unheard of.

Will Send Cars Into Pit.

A recent report of operations at the Steel Corporation's Mountain Iron mine at Mountain Iron, Minn., shows that arrangements are being made to send freight trains right into the pit of the mine. Empty cars will be shunted in on one track, filled from the mother ore body by steam shovels, then hauled out of the mine on another track, and hurried away to the Duluth docks. This mine was only opened in 1892, and has produced 10,000,000 tons of ore, of which 1,000,000 was this season alone.

The Cleveland Cliffs Company's mine at Ironwood, the Ashland, is increasing its force, and will break records next season.

Developments of the past year in Wisconsin show that the state is to become one of the nation's greatest mining states. In addition to the iron districts in St. Croix and Sauk counties, capital has begun to take interest in the lead and zinc properties, and machinery is being installed, and the output from these old mines greatly increased. This and other developments has resulted in a demand which the next legislature will probably meet of the addition of a mining school to the state university. Students who plan to devote their lives to mining careers are continually asking for the installation of courses which they desire, and the legislature appears to be favorable to granting the requests, especially as President Van Hise attained his great fame as a geologist.

Prince Visits Harvard.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—Prince Fushimi of Japan spent part of today at Harvard university, Cambridge, where he was the guest of President Charles W. Eliot. Subsequently he returned to Boston and was tendered an informal reception at the chamber of commerce.

THE THREE RIVERS

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 3.—The stage of the river at 6 p. m. today was 3.7 feet and stationary. Weather cloudy and cooler. Departures were Lizzie Bay, Louisville. A slight drizzling rain fell in the surrounding territory about Cincinnati during Friday night. It was not of sufficient quantity to affect the stage of the river.

LOUISVILLE—River stationary. In canal, 2.4 feet; on falls, 2 feet; below locks, 3.1 feet. Weather cloudy and cold.

OIL CITY—River 1 foot 4 inches and falling. Weather cloudy and cold.

PARKERSBURG—River 1.8 feet and rising. Drizzling rain all day. No boats.

GREENSBORO—River 5 feet 5 inches and stationary. Weather rain and cool. Hits down Sunday and Columbia up.

MORGANTOWN—River 6 feet 4 inches and falling. Weather rainy and colder.

GALLIPOLIS—River 1 foot 7 inches and falling. Weather cool and cloudy. A good steady rain fell during this afternoon.

WARREN—River 1-10. Cloudy and cold.

STEUBENVILLE—River 1 foot 5 inches and stationary. Cloudy and cold.

WHEELING—River 1 foot 4 inches and falling. Cloudy and cool.

MERRIMAN BUOYS PLACED.

Coal Companies Take Steps to Protect Their Property from Wrecks.

The stage of water at Davis Island dam at 8 o'clock last night was 2.2 feet and the river was stationary.

Not wishing to wait until the slow course of government is run, the Monongahela River and the Jutte Coal companies have undertaken to make improvements along the river at their own expense. The buoys which were placed on Merriman dam Friday were put there by these two companies, under the supervision of a committee from Harbor 25. Yesterday the companies had a number of teams at work scraping off the top of the bar at Merriman and getting it in better shape for the time when the rivers shall rise.

Harbor 25 yesterday discussed the improvements which are being made along the river. The building of dams and coffers has changed the course of a number of currents, and these will be dangerous to navigation unless captains and pilots are fully informed. Steps are to be taken to map these currents at once.

The R. L. Aubrey is lying at the Allegheny wharf and is having new crown sheets put in.

Capt. Hugh Moren, who recently resigned as master of transportation of the River Coal Company, will leave this month for California, where he will spend the winter. He will be accompanied by his sister, Miss Mary Moren.

Capt. Frank Williams of California was a visitor at Harbor 25 yesterday.

A large number of out-of-town pilots and captains were in town yesterday, it being the regular monthly payday for those who are employed by the year.

MAYOR IS HOSPITABLE, BUT TROUBLE'S BREWING

Windsor Coporation's Meetings Being Dry, Liquids Are Introduced, to the Scandal of Teetotalers. Members Resign in Protest.

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—There is trouble in the corporation of Windsor, England, at present. The mayor, Mr. Shipley, a man of large-hearted hospitality, knowing too well the dry quality of proceedings at a corporation meeting, has had the thoughtfulness to supply free whiskies and sodas and free cigars to the members.

The corporation attends service in the parish church once a month, which service seems also to be dry, for the members hurry back from the church to the Guild hall to accept of the mayor's liquid hospitality again. There was one member of the corporation, Mr. Hampston, who, before this pleasant state of matters began to exist, had had the ill luck to become a total abstainer. Consequently his temper is now being too severely tried. He resigned his seat in protest. He says the meetings are too protracted, no solid business done, and most matters are decided in the way the hospitable mayor desires; that, in fact, the members turn into the corporation meeting as they would to their club, to relax and be complaisant.

The members of the corporation have scouted this fellow as a carper. Meantime 35 candidates have offered for the vacant seat, which shows, I think, the implicit faith that the multitude have in the mayor of Windsor. Long may he reign the reign that rains whisky and soda on corporators who thirst to do their duty at the hospitable council board.

While the mayor of Windsor is sustaining the character of good old England for hospitality, some interested people have been making tests of the glorious empire's gratitude—with a result not startling to anyone who knows the inward character of that great nation on whose possessions a very wise sun never sets.

RUSHING TIN MILLS.

Steel Corporation Has Placed Ninety-Two in Six Plants in Operation in the Past Week.

The United States Steel Corporation is rushing the production of tin plate at a tremendous rate. Within 10 days it has put 90 per cent of its plate mills in operation and will start up additional mills as fast as possible.

The plants of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, which the Corporation has started up since Thanksgiving include: Humbert plant, Connellsville, 6 mills; Sharon plant, South Sharon, 6; Martins Ferry, O., 10; Shenango plant, New Castle, 30; Crescent and Elwood, Ind., 26; Star works, Pittsburgh, 8. Total, 92.

Of the tin plate mills owned by the Steel Corporation, exceeding 240, there are now idle only about 30. These will soon be active again.

GODDESSES ON XMAS PRESENTS

Ladies of Granite Tell of Gifts Being Withheld for Final Surprises.

HOW TO APPLY NAME USONA

"The secretary will now receive communications for Santa Claus," announced Chairlady Judgment as the Goddesses of the Farmers Bank building huddled together in weekly session in defiance of the wintry blasts.

"How are we to receive the favors we ask?" inquired Calculation. "You will readily perceive our embarrassment in not being in possession of the old-established receptacle. It has no doubt occurred to all of us that we are shy the necessary wearing apparel to hang over the hearth. What shall our substitute be?"

"Might call on the stock kings of Fourth avenue," suggested Courage.

"Possibly the fire department would donate the necessary hose," announced Wisdom.

"We might secure a few legacies from the court house," declared Judgment. "However," continued the chairlady, "we can overcome this apparent obstacle by appealing to Santa Claus to supply us with these requisites in the opening paragraphs of our bill of specifications."

"Everyone will be remembered this year," declared Prosperity. "There is no occasion for slighting anyone. Already we can perceive from our eminence the throngs gathering together their surprises for their loved ones. The policies of the nation have been such that there will be a free trade of Christmas presents this year. I understand Alton B. Parker will awake Christmas morning to find 75 copies of "The Simple Life" in his stocking, with a case of gold cure marked "poison," the later from his friend, Willie Bryan. I understand the later is to receive a complete work on 'Voice Culture for Beginners.' President Roosevelt will justly reap a great reward from Santa Claus. He has already been promised highly illustrated works on 'Darkest Africa' and 'Wild Animals I Have Known.'"

"How about the ladies?" asked Integrity.

"They will have much to rejoice over," answered Prosperity. "It would be ungallant to interfere with the plans of the sterner sex and divulge all the plans. Of course, married women will have to provide for their husbands in many instances, and we should all lend a hand in assisting those who have husbands to care for."

"It is traditional with Americans—"

"You mean Usonians," corrected Wisdom. "You forget Sir Edward Clarke's definition. Hereafter when you see 'us on a' map it means us—U. S. The term American is a misnomoner. Usona, which is derived from the first letters of United States of North America is to be our identity forever more. If you see 'Tie' on a map do not consider it a dead heat in a Christmas puzzle game. It merely means 'Turkey in Europe.' If you note 'Cocoa' in large type do not allow your mind to revert to inspiring beverages. It means but 'Chatham, Ontario, Canada of America.' In other words, do not lose your decorum when you meet with what appears a myriad of new secret societies in reading your newspapers. You will only be encountering the heretofore unknown signatures of nations of the world. There have been claims that Sir Clarke had political motives in re-christening America, some holding that he meant to brand the United States "U son a" England but he has been given the benefit of the doubt. With this valuable information at hand and in full possesion of the fact that this nation is 'Usona' it would be well to remember in writing home from Chicago to 'C Us on a' postal card."

MRS. POTTER PALMER IS IN QUEST OF A LONDON HOUSE

She Has Three "West End" Real Estate Agents Looking for a Mansion to Suit Her Fastidious Taste—Mrs. Bradley Martin, Jr., "Looking."

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 23—"As soon as Christmas is over," said a prominent real estate agent to the writer, yesterday, "we expect to kept busy finding town houses for the number of Americans who are coming over to swell the Transatlantic colonies in Mayfair and Belgravia."

Mrs. Potter Palmer, it seems, has commissioned not one, but three of the most fashionable of the West End real estate firms to secure her a house. It is said that her object in doing this is to create competition among the agents so that she may obtain the best value for her money. She has already established a reputation for being one of the shrewdest business women outside the duchess of Roxburghe, who has had any dealings with these agents. She will not have a house already furnished; the furniture, she says, hides many defects; she will insist upon having every nook and corner examined by her own experts in building, construction and sanitation. The scheme of decoration in the houses she has already seen is not up to the standard of her tastes and requirements. They are all too tinsel, she says; she wants art combined with solidity. One firm of agents thinks that she must have a house specially built before she can be accommodated. When she has found the house she is going to do the furnishing herself, and in this connection she means to have it principally in the Parisian style. The heating apparatus in the principal London mansions she does not like at all. She will have the American system installed if she can get her landlord to agree. The general impression is that she cannot get a "season" house on her terms and that in the end she will be obliged to have a permanent residence if she means to put up in Mayfair or Belgravia.

Another American lady who means to set up a London establishment is Mrs. Bradley Martin, Jr. She and her husband are looking out for a house in the neighborhood of Chesterfield Gardens, but at the moment it is doubtful whether anything is likely to be vacant to suit them in this quarter. They mean make a stir in London society next year, and much of the entertaining that has hitherto devolved on her mother-in-law will be taken over by the young bride. It is feared that the English climate will not suit her and that she must perforce spend much of her time between New York and Paris. She makes no secret of the fact that she likes England, but she experienced one or two fogs in London during visits which she had paid before her marriage that caused her to form prejudices which it will take some time to remove.

CRIPPLE CREEK STRIKE WILL BE CALLED OFF

CRIPPLE CREEK, COL., Dec. 3.—It is announced on authority of union men that the strike in this district will be declared off by the Western Federation of Miners within one week after Gov.-elect Alva Adams is inaugurated.

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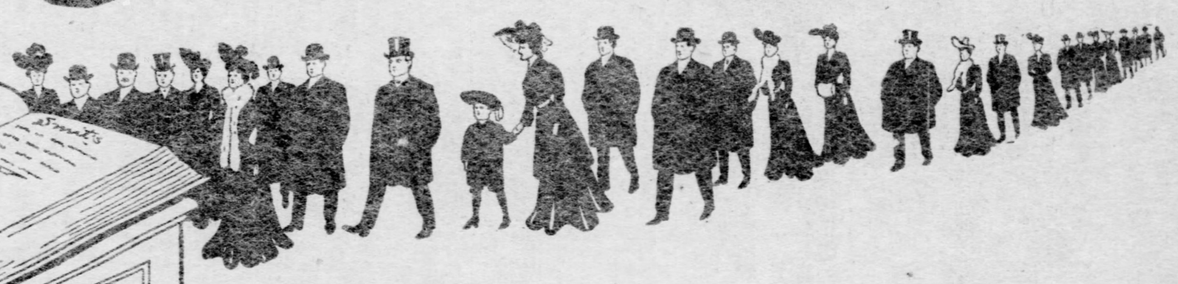

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Big line of Ladies' Wrist Bags, representing this season's latest and most handsome styles..... **$1 to $6**

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Solid gold Birth-Stone Rings, **$1.50 to $3.50**

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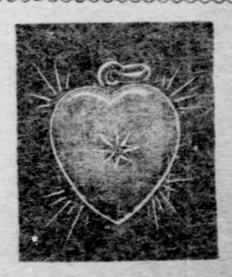

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NEW BEAUTIES SEEN IN SKIES

Camera Reveals Strange Formations in Nebulous Masses Hitherto Unknown.

A PEEP AT HEAVEN'S TEMPLE

By JOHN A. BRASHEAR.

Among the most beautiful and interesting objects in the heavens are various forms of gaseous nebulae that are scattered among the stars. But two or three of these nebulae were known to the ancients, viz: The nebulae in the constellation of Andromeda; the nebulae in Orion and the Magellanic clouds, the last named visible only in the southern hemisphere.

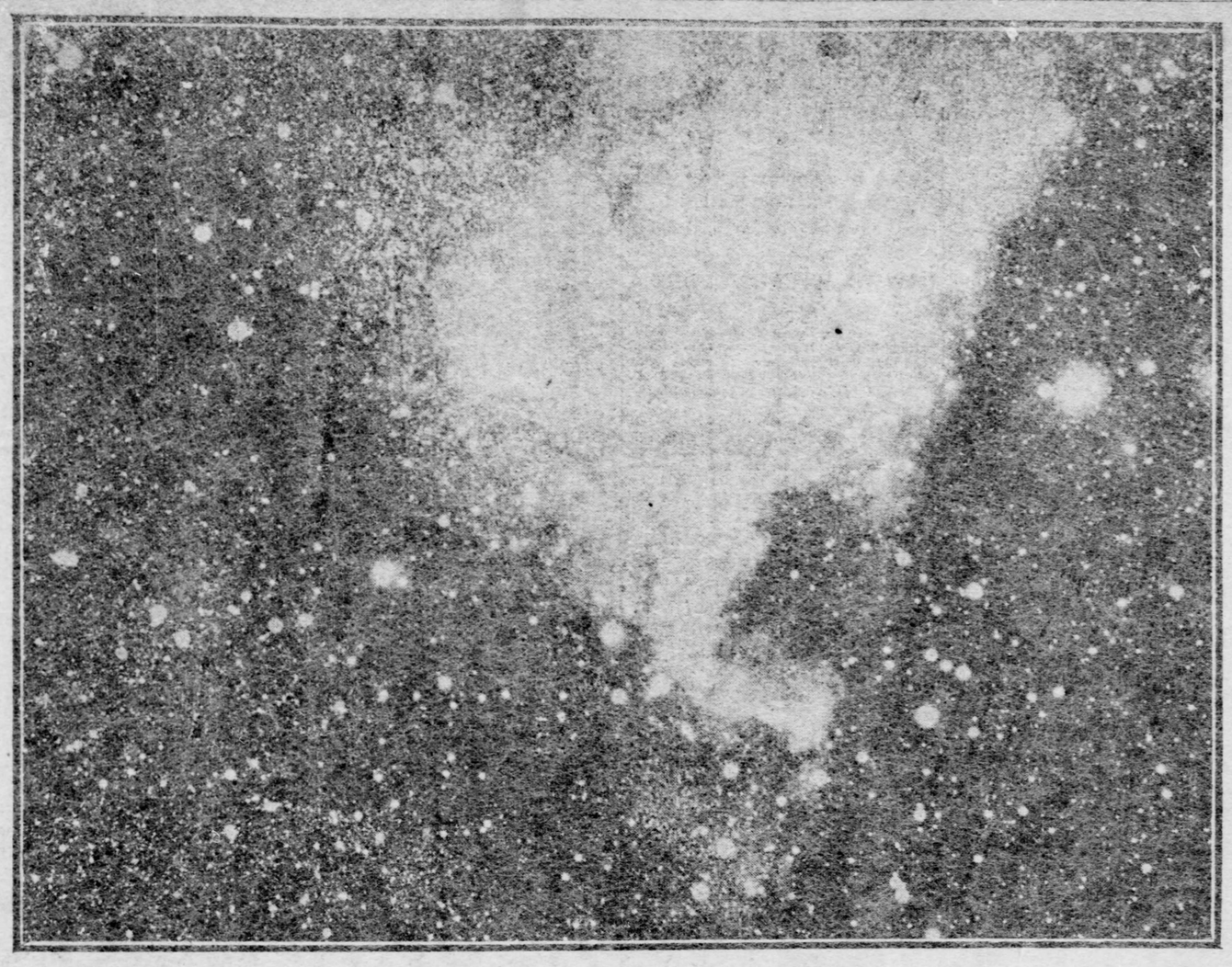
These three nebulous bodies, if such we may call them, are visible to the naked eye as faint cloud-like forms—one of them, the Andromeda nebula having been frequently mistaken for a comet. It was in the center of this interesting object that a new star suddenly appeared some 20 years ago and the writer can well remember having made observations on the nebula about 9 o'clock in the evening, seeing nothing unusual in its appearance; but at about 1 a. m., local time, a star of the fifth magnitude burst forth in the central part of the nebula, the light of which slowly dwindled away until it became totally invisible in the most powerful telescopes.

Herschel and Messier found several thousand nebula by the aid of their telescopes, and in later years Swift of Rochester added many hundred to the list, but it was reserved for the astronomical photographic camera to add thousands of new nebula, many of them beyond the reach of the largest of our visual telescopes, indeed, a 10-inch astronomical camera will reveal far more of these faint objects than the great 40-inch instrument of the Yerkes observatory.

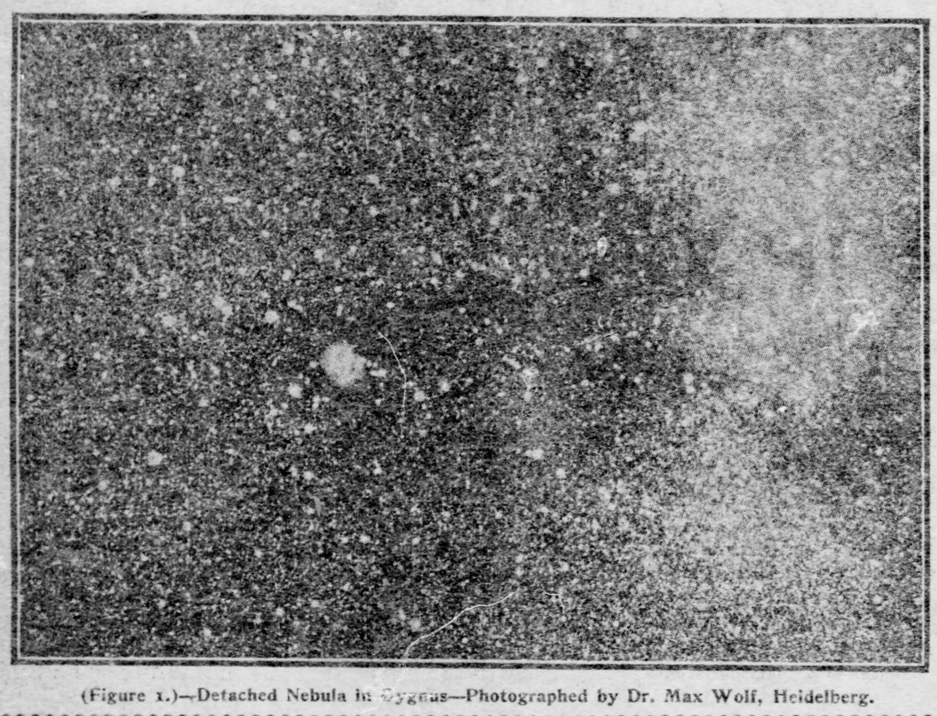
The reason is evident when we consider that the eye sees once for all—all that may be seen of a celestial object with a visual telescope, but the photographic plate is cumulative, catching every tiny ray that falls upon it—holding it there until the accumulation of rays become visible upon the developed plate.

Discoveries of Dr. Wolf.

So remarkable are the results in this direction that D. Max Wolf of Heidelberg informed the writer that he found no less than 113 small nebula on one of his 11x14 negatives, where Dryer had catalogued but three which had been previously discovered visually.



The Great American Nebula, Photographed by Dr. Max Wolf, Heidelberg Observatory, With the 16-Inch Camera Made for Him by the J. A. Brashear Company, Limited.



(Figure 1.)—Detached Nebula in Cygnus—Photographed by Dr. Max Wolf, Heidelberg.

The writer has before him a letter written by the lamented Keeler in which he states that he believed there are not less than 120,000 nebula within the reach of the 37-inch reflecting telescope of the Lick observatory.

What are these strange cloud-like forms scattered over the vast concave of the heavens? No answer came to us until the spectroscope was turned upon them, and although the light from most of these objects is very feeble indeed, yet this wonderful weapon of the physicist and astronomer has told us that the nebula are for the most part made up of glowing hydrogen gas.

The forms of these strange celestial bodies are very varied, although Prof. Keeler discovered that the predominating form is that of a spiral. A few spiral nebula had been discovered with the powerful reflecting telescopes of Herschel & Ross, but it remained for Keeler to settle the question by the aid of photography.

Some of these spiral nebula are most beautiful in form and seem to point unmistakably to the process by which stellar and planetary worlds have been evolved, indeed the astronomer has before him in all its phases, the evolution of the universe from the primordial nebula to the dead planets like our moon—aye, still further than that, he has witnessed these completed worlds crashing together in infinite space and from the tremendous heat evolved, passing into nebula again, and we now ask ourselves the question—is not world building and evolution an endless cycle?

Immensity of Nebulous Masses.

We can have little conception of the immensity of these nebulous masses. Our solar system is encompassed in a circle of about 56,000,000,000 miles—but this is a "tiny speck" when compared with the Andromeda nebulae, but as no parallax has been found for any of these nebulous bodies, their dimensions are in a measure indeterminate, yet we know that most of them are many thousand times larger than the solar system.

The wonderful structure and shape of the great nebula in Andromeda was not known until the photograph revealed its true character. Its model is almost exactly like unto the ringed planet saturn as it appears at the present time, and the same theories of gravitation centrifugal and other forces will apply to them both.

The story of the nebula is a long and interesting one, too long indeed for the columns of your paper, but there have been some very recent discoveries that are attracting the attention of astronomers, one of which the writer takes pleasure in laying before your readers.

Dr. Max Wolf of the University of Heidelberg, working with the great 16-inch double cameras has found that in at least 12 of the larger nebula, there is not only a space around them void of stars, and dark in comparison with star fields outside these dark areas—but that there appears a long channel or lacuna as he calls it—untold billions of miles in length, of a character similar to the dark areas immediately around the nebula themselves. What are these long dark channels—these comparatively barren areas surrounding the nebulae of which we write?

Let me quote verbatim from Dr. Wolf. Speaking of the nebulae in Cygnus (figure 1) he says: "In regard to this nebulae we are led to speculation. We might suppose the nebula were detached from the great western nebulous cloud, and as if it, or the cosmic process connected with its origin, had swept the long channel through the star crowds of the milky way."

"Or is there a dark mass following the path of the nebula absorbing the light of the fainter stars? We are far from knowing enough to settle these questions; but one thing we learn anew from this interesting nebula and in a very interesting manner, namely, that it is surrounded by a ring which is void of faint stars, and that this ring or lacuna is the end of a long starless hole."

May it be that this nebula, moving through space for untold millions of years, has been gathering up the star dust or gaseous matter as it swept along? One part of the question has already been solved by our departed friend, Keeler namely, that the nebula are moving through space. Some of them travel more than a million miles every 24 hours, and why should it not gather in its fold at least the greater part of the matter that lay in its pathway? Stupendous snowball of our childhood days.

Figure 2 shows the beautiful "American" nebula as photographed by Dr. Wolf. Your readers will note its wonderful resemblance to the North American continent. This photo is on too large a scale to show lacuna in its entirety, but that on its southern, eastern and western borders is unmistakable.

Both this nebula and that shown in figure 1 is in the constellation of Cygnus, a part of the milky way, rich in star groups and nebula—indeed a "sweep" through its magnificent star fields affords one of the most beautiful sights ever witnessed by the human eye. A good field glass will reveal many of its sparkling gems, while the 13-inch telescope of the new Allegheny observatory will show thousands of stars of greater or lesser magnitude within its borders.

And by the way, this telescope is now at the service of the public by procuring cards of admission, every Thursday night, and when funds are available it is the wish of the observatory committee of the university to open this part of the new "Temple of the Skies" every night in the week to our citizens and the students in the various schools in the two cities.

"Ye gorgeous stars, so eloquently bright,
Untroubled sentries of the shadowy night,
While half the world is lapp'd in downy dreams,
And round the lattice creep your midnight beams;
How sweet to gaze upon your placid eyes,
In lambent beauty looking from the skies."

December 2, 1904.

WORLD OF ART MOURNS VAL PRINSEP'S DEATH

Versatile Englishman's Friends Hold Largely Attended Memorial Service in St. Paul's Cathedral.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The master has only lately been laid to rest, and is now followed by his pupil. No man in literary and artistic society was more popular than Mr. Val Prinsep, whose memorial service is held today in St. Paul's cathedral. He was a man of a singular diversity of gifts; painter, artist, playwright. The friend of Rossetti, Burne Jones, Whistler and the pupil of Watts, he was intimately associated with Leighton and Millais.

While still a young man he was given a commission to paint a picture of the great Indian Durbar, at which Lord Lytton proclaimed Queen Victoria empress of India, and his work was considered able and promising. It is difficult to dissociate a man from his private life. His mother was my mother's sister, and the last time I saw "Val Prinsep," as the popular artist was called, was in his own beautiful house in Kensington.

Genial and happy in his family surroundings, calling on his wife to play him his favorite music, proud of her extreme proficiency, delighting in his children, full of the joie de vivre, it is difficult to believe that before the autumn leaves have fallen the kind, cheery face is still.

DEAD LANGUAGES NO LONGER AN ESSENTIAL

LONDON, Dec. 4.—(Special Cable.)—The old University of Cambridge is to be the place of radical reforms which, if successful, may also be extended to other English universities. Latin and Greek will no longer be compulsory, and the student may substitute either French or German for one of the ancient languages. One classical tongue, however, will be demanded, the syndicate expressing the conviction that the serious study of one classical language is invaluable and provides a mental training which cannot be secured in any other way. The only other compulsory studies are to be English composition and English history.

EVERYBODY VERY GOOD IN THIS BRITISH ISLE

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—(Special Cable.)—It was said recently that St. Helena was one of the most crimeless tracts in the world—in the civilized world, rather—but a correspondent has been writing to one of the papers showing that it is outdistanced by Sark, one of the Channel islands. In all of this large and thickly populated place, with its two policemen, there were only two arrests in 12 months. In each of these cases one of the policemen had got drunk and was imprisoned by his fellow.

PAINTER ROMNEY LOVED IN VAIN

Never Succeeded in Winning Affection of Beauty Lady Hamilton.

OLD-TIME ROMANCE RECALLED

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 4.—A problem which has often perplexed students, the life of Lady Hamilton, Nelson's and Romney's Lady Hamilton—has at last been cleared up. Until now no one has ever been able to say whether Romney was ever Lady Hamilton's lover. New material has been found which clearly proves to the world that, although the great painter was very much in love with his fascinating sitter, he never succeeded in winning her love in return. Both Romney and Lady Hamilton were of very humble birth.

He was the son of a carpenter, and covered himself with disgrace when he took to painting instead of working at the bench by deserting his wife and two children and passing himself off as an unmarried man. It was not until he had become famous that he made the acquaintance of the lovely "Emma Hart," as she was then called. Her real name was Amy Lyon. She was the daughter of a blacksmith, and began life as a nurse. She she became the mistress of Sir Harry Featherstonebaugh, left him for Charles Greville, who, in turn, was left for Sir William Hamilton, who married the former nurse girl in 1791. It was Greville who first took her to Romney's studio, in 1782, and she was a frequent visitor there up to the very day of her marriage. With Romney it was a case of love at first sight and her marriage was a terrible shock to him, and he never painted as well after his inspiration was gone.

The curious fact brought out by the newly found document is that Lady Hamilton never realized either that the great painter was in love with her or that he was making her famous for all time. Her letters hardly ever mention him, and then only in the coldest terms.

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CARRULOUS RANDOLIN IS AMUSING FRANCE

German Ambassador in Prophetic Role Is Casting Diplomatic Usages to the Winds.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 4.—Prince Randolin, the German ambassador at Paris, talks too much. This is a defect which is unusual in a diplomat, whose training teaches him above all things discretion and silence. Prince Randolin, however, cannot refrain from expressing his ideas, or telling what he knows.

Just now he is going about the Parisian salons telling all who will listen that Emperor William looks askance at the new Anglo-French alliance. "Beware," says Prince Randolin, "lest you push your friendship for England too far, for if you do we will join hands with Russia and plunge all Europe into war."

Such are the sober threats of Emperor William, as expressed through his ambassador, who is surely too well trained a diplomat to speak so emphatically except by order of his august master. If the German emperor is not satisfied with the isolated position in which he has been placed by the able diplomacy of Monsieur Delcasse, we are very sorry, but we shall go on making friends and cementing alliances as much as we like, his German majesty to the contrary, notwithstanding.

The secret of the blood which bespattered the face of Gen. Andre, minister of war, when he received his double slap from Monsieur Syveton, deputy for Paris, is not known. The spilling of the general's blood was not due, as was at first supposed, to the great violence of the blow he received, or to any particular brutality on the part of Deputy Syveton in administering it. The fault lies with the minister's false teeth.

STARVED TO DEATH.

Our text to-day is the story of the miser who taught his ass to live on straw, of which he gave him a smaller portion every day.

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Philadelphia Man Slated for Senate Place Formerly Held by John C. Grady.

BLISS WILL LEAD THE HOUSE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 3.

Leaders of the Republican state organization have selected William H. Keyser of Philadelphia, for floor manager of the senate in the next legislature, a position held for many years by John C. Grady, whose place as senator will be taken by James P. McNichol, who shares with Insurance Commissioner Durham the leadership of Philadelphia's Republican organization.

Keyser lacks Grady's parliamentary skill and ability as a talker and debater, but he has many years' experience as a member of both the house and senate, and is more popular personally with his colleagues than was Grady. With the advantage of a large Republican majority behind him and a weak minority without a leader, the Republican leaders have no fear that Keyser will not be able to carry out their legislative program.

Ward R. Biles of Delaware county will again be the Republican leader of the house and chairman of the appropriations committee, a position he has held in the last two sessions. Senator Dewalt of Lehigh will be the undisputed leader of the senate Democrats, and "Farmer" Creasy of Columbia, and R. Scott Ammerman of Montour will divide the leadership of the 15 Democrats in the house.

Keyser has taken apartments in the Boas residence on North Front street, near the executive mansion, which Senator Penrose has leased for the legislative session. Senators McNichol, Scott and Vare of Philadelphia, and Commissioner Durham, when he is in Harrisburg, will also live at the Boas residence.

Penrose agrees to pay $200 a month for this property for a period of three months, and to keep it as much longer as the session may continue. The furniture and fixtures are included in the lease. The senator will provide his own servants, who will be brought here from Washington. He will come here for the opening of the session, and also for the joint convention of the house and senate on January 17 for the election of Senator Knox for the full term of six years.

Will See Little of Durham.

The senator will also come here at such intervals during the session as he may be needed, although he does not want to spend any more time here than possible, as he will need to be at Washington the most of the time during the session of congress. Durham does not want to be bothered with the details of the session, and he does not expect to be in Harrisburg much during the session.

Gov. Pennypacker is anxious the session shall be a short one so there may be no delay in the completion of the new state capitol by next October. He believes it will be possible to complete the business of the session by the middle of April, when the last legislature adjourned. He has about completed the preparation of his biennial message, which he expects to send to the state printer within the next 10 days.

Democrats are gradually being displaced in the Berks county court house offices by Republicans, and it is not improbable in a few years more all of these offices will pass out of the control of the Democratic party, which has had a monopoly of them for a century. The Democrats are about to lose two more important county positions as the result of the recent disastrous defeat for election of Controller Ancona, the virtual Democratic leader of the county, by Dr. Livingood, Independent Democrat, the Republican nominee.

Managers to Name Deputy.

The doctor feels that without the support of the Berks county Republican organization he could not have been elected, despite the aid he received from the Independent Democrats, and in recognition of its services for him he has agreed the party managers shall name his deputy. This position, the salary of which is $1,800 a year, is now filled by J. Ed. Miller of Hamburg, a protege of Ancona, whose friends confidently expected he would be retained because of his familiarity with the office.

The Republicans now control eight of the 16 tax collectors in Reading, three courthouse janitors, and two clerks in the county commissioners' office through a combination made by the Republican and one Democratic commissioner. There is so much dissatisfaction in the Democratic Party in Berks county that the Republicans believe it is only a question of a few years when they will be in a majority.

There is a possibility of the selection of Frank Judd, one of the Republican leaders of Beaver county, for chief clerk of the state senate, on the organization of the next legislature. Mr. Judd has been without a place since his commission as prothonotary of Beaver county expired last January, and some of his friends have suggested him for this senate place. He and Senator White of Beaver have never been political friends, although it is thought the senator would not object to his selection if the state leaders should recommend him to the senate committee.

He Might Heal Factions.

Mr. Judd was for years one of Senator Quay's most faithful lieutenants in Beaver county, and many of the senator's friends throughout the state believe he is entitled to recognition by the state organization. Judd's friends here say that his selection would end the factional troubles among the Beaver county Republicans, and give to the senate a most popular and capable official. Should Judd not be chosen for this place, it is conceded it will be given to John M. Rhey of Carlisle, for 10 years journal clerk of the senate, and the choice of the Cumberland county Republican organization.

Ex-Representative B. K. Spangler of Carlisle, who was brought into prominence during the legislative session of 1895, of which he was a Republican member from Cumberland county, by waving a small American flag at the close of an impassioned speech in favor of the famous religious garb bill, is about to be deposed as crier of the Cumberland county courts, which place he has held for several years.

Spangler bolted the Republican ticket in Cumberland county last month because he was refused the nomination for representative, and worked for John W. Wetzel, the unsuccessful Democratic nominee for president judge. Judge-elect Wilbur Sadler has selected his personal friend, George F. Day of Carlisle, to succeed Spangler, who will step down and out the first Monday of January.

Will Not Support Fritchey.

Mayor Vance McCormick has served notice on the Democratic organization of Harrisburg through The Patriot, the leading Democratic newspaper of Central Pennsylvania, of which he is the sole owner, that that newspaper will not stand for the nomination of ex-Mayor John A. Fritchey for mayor to succeed McCormick, whose term expires next April. The Patriot says Fritchey's election would be against the interests of Harrisburg and "would be turning our back on decency and progress, and setting our face toward the past with its record of embezzlement of the public funds, of official extortion, of the protection of prostitutes, gamblers and other creeks for money, municipal shame and stagnation."

Mayor McCormick makes the further announcement that if Fritchey is nominated and the Republicans name a better candidate his newspaper will unhesitatingly support the Republican. Charles F. Walter has made himself a most formidable candidate for the Republican nomination by publicly pledging himself to continue the greater Harrisburg movement, which was inaugurated under the McCormick administration, and to contribute $1,000 annually out of the salary of the office, if elected, for the purchase by the Harrisburg Civic club of useful gifts for the poor children of the city.

Spain to Protest to Mexico.

MADRID, Dec. 3.—Senor Zalsala, a representative of the province of Bilbao in the chamber of deputies, has been suspended because of his publication of pamphlets of a separatist character. As the pamphlets were printed in Mexico, the Spanish government intends to protest to the Mexican government because the censor failed to suppress them.

VICTORY ONE OF GREAT MAGNITUDE

Analysis of Election Returns in Ohio So Show—Gains by Minor Parties.

HERRICK'S OPPONENTS BUSY

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

COLUMBUS Dec. 3.—Analysis of the official returns from the recent election in Ohio emphasizes the magnitude of the Republican victory. On November 7 several large bets were placed here that Roosevelt and Fairbanks would not have a plurality of 75,000 in the state. Their plurality was 255,421, and their clear majority over all other candidates was more than 195,000. Roosevelt received 56,177 more votes than were cast for McKinley in 1900, while Parker lost 130,208 votes which were thrown for Bryan in that year. The total vote last month was 1,026,229, as compared with 1,049,121 in 1900, but of the former number only 1,004,393, or 97.87 per cent, were cast for the presidential candidates, whereas more than 99 per cent of the vote of 1900 was cast on the head of the national ticket. Politicians of long experience do not try to explain how it happened, contenting themselves with saying that Roosevelt made surprising gains everywhere, while Parker lost heavily even in those sections where the gold Democrats were supposed to be strongest.

Aside from the overwhelming nature of the Republican victory, the most interesting feature of the returns is found in the vote for the minor party candidates. The Socialists and Prohibitionists, especially, made great gains, and the total minor party vote was 50,624, as against only 16,979 in 1900. Debs, the Socialist candidate, received 36,260 votes in Ohio. Four years ago, running on the Social-Democratic ticket, he polled 4,847 votes.

Due to Dissatisfaction.

Careful observers do not think that this great gain represents an increase of Socialistic sentiment in Ohio. They set it down rather to dissatisfaction among Bryan's friends, some of whom were unwilling to go to the length of supporting the Republican ticket, and yet were not ready to vote for Parker. It is significant that in Cuyahoga county, where Tom L. Johnson made a vigorous campaign, Debs received no less than 8,017 votes, while the Democratic nominee, whose name Johnson did not mention in any of his speeches, had only 24,202. The normal Democratic vote in the county exceeds 40,000, while the Socialists could muster about 1,500 votes under ordinary conditions.

Dr. Swallow received 19,338 votes in Ohio. Four years ago John G. Woolley polled 10,293. The gain is explained, probably, by the vigorous campaign made by the agents of the anti-Saloon league against Governor Herrick. Through the governor, they hit at the Republican party and doubtless made some votes among those who do not distinguish clearly between the local option propaganda urged by the anti-Saloon league and the prohibitive theory. The big vote given the Socialists and the Prohibitionists assure these two parties of places on the official ballot next year, without resort to petitions. The Populist campaign in this state was a fiasco. Although Watson electors were regularly nominated, they received only 1,392 votes, about half the number given to Corregan, the candidate of the Socialist-Labor party.

Will Be Used With Effect.

Most of the minor party men were kept in line for the Democracy under Bryan and Johnson. Their defection this year gives the radical element an argument which will be used with effect against the continued control of the conservatives. It is not really a good argument, for, if Parker had received the full minority party vote, he would still have been beaten by a plurality of approximately 195,000, and it is evident that the reasons for his crushing defeat must be sought elsewhere. However, it will suffice for Johnson's purposes, for the Democracy is completely disorganized, has no hope of victory for many years, and the conservative leaders are too disgusted and disheartened to contest with the masterful Cleveland man for control.

It looks as if Johnson would have full sway in the next Democratic state convention. He says now that he will not nominate himself for the governorship, preferring to make a third race for the Cleveland mayoralty, but there are suspicions abroad that he will change his mind. His plan now seems to be to serve another term as mayor of Cleveland and then to head the state ticket. But, if conditions are such that he fears defeat in Cleveland next fall, he probably will prefer to take no chances there and to make another campaign for a state office which he knows he cannot get, but the nomination and campaign for which would give him more prominence and more opportunities to reach the people.

LaFollette Johnson's Model.

Gov. LaFollette of Wisconsin is Johnson's model. He firmly believes, his friends say, that all the public needs to be won over to his ways of thinking is to learn from him more about what his views are. Probably his next campaign will be made almost wholly on the issues of railroad taxation and "moderate socialism." The conservatives are making a feeble effort to start a boom for John C. Welty of Canton for the governorship. This boom is always started about this time of year and Mr. Welty, after remaining in the hands of his friends for a few months, always withdraws when the time to fight comes. The only significance the mention of his name at that time has is the evidence that the conservatives, of whom John R. McLean is the leader, do not consider themselves quite dead.

The effort of the anti-Saloon league and the Foraker guard to bring out a candidate against Gov. Herrick continues without visible effect. This week Lieut.-Gov. Harding was called into conference with Thomas C. Clark, a former member of the legislature, and the author of a local option bill which precipitated a famous struggle in 1900. When their consultation was over, the lieutenant governor announced once more that under no circumstances will he be a candidate next year to succeed Gov. Herrick, and that he will use his influence to bring about the governor's re-election.

Will Not Oppose Herrick.

State Senator Harris of Ashtabula, another man whom the anti-Saloon men would like to see nominated, also declared this week that he could not be persuaded to oppose Gov. Herrick, whose renomination seems certain.

The Ohio Liquor league met here this week and outlined its plan of campaign for next year against the anti-Saloon league. No action was taken with respect to nominations for the governorship, although the suggestion made by Akron clergymen that Senator Dick head the state ticket in 1905 was informally disapproved, and the members agreed to fight in every county against the nomination of legislative candidates who would help to place more local option legislation on the statute books. The liquor question will be pushed to the front in next year's campaign as never before.

Lamb Plays With Lion.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—(Copyright, Cable.)—Bostock has been startling Paris this week by exhibiting a fulfillment of the biblical prophecy of the lion lying down with the lamb. The lion licks and allows himself to be played with by the little animal, having been trained to its present degree of perfection by means of toy animals being placed in the cage. These were at first torn up, but were afterward left alone when found inedible.

GETS LETTERS BY THE TUBFULL

Anna Eva Fay Dictates Answers to Over 500 Correspondents Every Morning.

SOME ARE STRANGE QUERIES

Surrounded by her four secretaries, Miss Anna Eva Fay begins each new day by dictating answers to a tubful of letters before the last of the breakfast dishes have been removed from her apartment. Her morning hours mark the strenuous beginning of a day of strenuous labor. In her correspondence she is invited to answer questions relating to all manner of strange things from the highest stage of water in the Allegheny river next winter to the probable result of the outcome of the Russo-Japanese war upon the British empire in India. Affairs of business, love, religion and finance are left to her adjudication. There is scarcely a day passes that she does not answer over 500 correspondents.

Letters come to her from all parts of the world—from Japanese noblemen, from the highest barons of Russia, from grandees in Spain, from struggling artists in France, from ambitious yeomen in the rural counties in England, from high officials at home, from lovers, from forsaken wives, lonely bachelors and those who are stricken by grief or misfortune. The letters are handled in strict confidence and the answers are briefly penned upon the back of the inquirer's note and returned the day it is received.

The letter carrier who delivers mail to the Hotel Lincoln, where Miss Fay is a guest, is the busiest man in Pittsburgh since her coming, and there is scarcely a trip that he does not bring 100 or more letters. These are placed in the drawer of a dresser and those overflowing that receptacle are piled up in the corner. At 9 o'clock in the morning Miss Fay is served with breakfast in her room, and immediately sets to work dictating answers to her letters. She usually continues her task until noon.

An Irish Prisoner's Plea.

One day last week came a plaintive letter written in Ballybrophy prison, Cork, Ireland. The writer was a young Irish farmer who had struck his rent collector and had been sent to seven years' imprisonment. He had served less than a year and declares that if he is held until the end of his term, he fears that he will lose his mind.

"It is an odd case and one that has instantly won my sympathy," said Miss Fay. "The poor boy asks me to help him and seems to have implicit faith in my efforts to gain his liberty. I will help him. How? Why, it's the easiest thing in the world. His crime evidently was no more than a misdemeanor, and a year would have been a long sentence. I shall enlist the aid of some of our good priests here in Pittsburgh, and through them communicate with the landlord in Ireland. In that way sufficient influence can be brought to bear in the young man's behalf to set him free. He must have his liberty."

Letters from Pittsburgh people, of course, are in the majority just now. Her correspondence is about equally divided between men and women. These are some of the queries which one batch of letters brought from local correspondents:

"Shall I live to be 55?"

"Which club in the National league will win the pennant next year?"

"Do you think I would succeed in the poultry business? I never tried raising hens."

"Does a young man named Frank L—— love me?"

"Should I marry a young woman whose initials are A. L. M.?"

"What shall I receive on Christmas?"

"I think our minister comes to our house too often while I am away. Is he infatuated with my wife?"

"I want to go to Europe, but I have a presentiment that if I dare cross the ocean my ship will sink. Are my fears justified?"

"Shall I be the next president of our library club?"

"Will my future wife live in Pennsylvania, Maryland or Indiana?"

"I have the offer of a position in Philadelphia. Should I accept it?"

"Will Mr. K—— marry again?"

"Shall I ever make a trip around the world?"

"Will my house in Rebecca street, Allegheny, be flooded this winter?"

The letters above were selected at random. Miss Fay would not reveal the names of the writers, because, she said, she had never violated the confidence of a single writer. It was peculiar that scores of Alleghenians had asked if they were in danger of being flooded out again next winter. She gave them little encouragement.

"The whole trend of the letters leads me to confirm the opinion that many people in Pittsburgh are money mad," said Miss Fay. "Pittsburghers certainly are not love-sick. Women here write and ask if their husbands shall invest in this stock or that, or whether this bank is safe, and if that trust company will pay better dividends next quarter. These are all very odd questions for women to ask. You know it is quite foreign to the feminine mind and in striking contrast with women in other parts of the country, except, possibly, New York. In the south all the girls seem to be love-sick and are sentimental to a marked degree. Up here there is none of that, taking the population at large. In the south the girls are struggling for a decisive answer between half a dozen beaus. Pittsburgh girls are more practical. They are far-sighted as a rule and can soon decide as to the good or bad qualities of a suitor.

Pittsburgh Men Ambitious.

"The young men in Pittsburgh are an ambitious lot, and not more given than the girls to the matter of love affairs. They want to know how they shall succeed and in what business they are most fitted to achieve success. They seem to be friends with the whole world and seldom mention rivals in love.

"Sometimes I meet one of those poor weak mortals who declare that they have been crossed in love and who abandon everything to melancholy foreboding. They make themselves miserable and add to the misery of everybody about them. I have little sympathy for such as these. Why can they not take a philosophical view of their predicament and profit by the experience? Think of the man who will throw himself to the dogs because he has been jilted. The chances are that he would not have made a good husband if he had been accepted. And the woman who runs to corkscrew curls, outlandish fashions and dyspeptic shanks is no better.

"The people in Pittsburgh are cordial and generous. What I most like about their hospitality and generosity is that they never speak about these good qualities. Pittsburghers themselves imagine that they are cold and ungenerous—too busy getting rich to practice the graces of cordiality and good cheer."

NIGHT CARS NO PLACE FOR ANTI-SMOKERS

Rule Rigidly Enforced During Day Is Discarded After Midnight—Conductors Join Passengers.

There is one rule on the local street car system that is rigidly enforced on the day cars, but which is almost entirely relaxed on night cars. The rule referred to is the one which prohibits smoking on closed cars. No person attempts to take a smoke in a closed car during the day or before midnight, but after that hour everything is free and easy on the trolley. Pipes, tobies, cigarettes and all grades of cigars are brought into service.

The other night two women boarded a Forbes street car which was filled with smokers. The men in the car continued to smoke and a well known city contractor appealed to the conductor to stop it. The conductor angrily replied:

"If you don't like it you can get off."

On all the Allegheny lines the habit of smoking on night cars is general and it is freely permitted by the conductors. With the windows and the doors closed and the car crowded, it is soon filled with dense clouds and the anti-smoker must either endure the chance of suffocation or walk home. Not only do the passengers smoke, but frequently the conductor joins them with the weed. A Perrysville avenue conductor carries with him a stench-breathing pipe, which is his solace on every trip from midnight to morning.

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YOUNG WOMAN CAUGHT IN UNUSUAL PREDICAMENT

Hung Suspended by Fingers from a Window Till Her Screams Brought Help to Her.

Loud cries for help ringing through a street in the Shadyside district almost threw the residents of the street into a panic, as the agonizing appeals for aid were plainly recognized as coming from a women. The street is a short one and for a time the part from which the screams were coming could not be located. All the male residents of the street with the exception of one are employed during the day and the street was deserted.

The man who is employed at night was sleeping peacefully at his home, but fortunately he has a habit of keeping the windows of his room open while he sleeps. How long the cries for help had been going on he never learned, but suddenly he was awakened by awful screams from the end of the street in which the house is located. The cries brought him to his senses immediately and he quickly jumped out of bed and into his clothes.

Terrible thoughts of a women being at the mercy of a daylight marauder flew through his mind as he bounded down the stairs to the first floor. As he ran into the dining room he heard his wife telling him to hurry to her. In a moment he was at her side and found his wife supporting a young woman, who was on the point of collapsing from the pain she was suffering, as she had the fingers of both hands caught fast in a window.

Quickly taking in the situation the man braced the girl up while his wife hurried to the kitchen to secure a stove lifter, the first implement that came to his mind which would be of use. In a moment the windows were pried apart and the girl's hands released. After recovering somewhat from the fright and pain she explained that she was cleaning the windows, and after lowering the upper sash a short distance she had grasped the top of the lower sash with both hands to assist herself to climb up on the window sill. While in the act of raising herself the upper sash dropped and caught her fingers above the second joint, holding her prisoner and leaving her hanging suspended by the fingers.

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It is a singular fact that although many women suffer from piles, or hemorrhoids, they frequently do not have proper treatment because of a delicacy women have in mentioning such a subject. Especially is this the case with those who have no husband or brother to whom they can confide; and a physician is seldom consulted until the pain and agony incident to piles becomes unbearable.

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It is suggested that those interested write to Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., for their little book describing the causes and cure of piles, as it is sent free for the asking.

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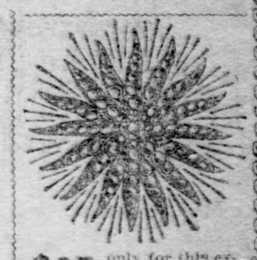

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MILLIONS SPENT FOR CITY HOMES

Pittsburgh's Prosperity Is Shown by House Buying of Past Eight Months.

DEMAND INCREASES STEADILY

If any proof were needed that the masses in Greater Pittsburgh are enjoying a wonderful degree of prosperity it could be easily furnished in the real estate records of the past eight months, when hundreds of them have put their savings into homes. Men don't buy houses when their families are hungry or without suitable clothing. They don't shoulder a debt of $3,000 or $5,000, or $10,000 when they don't know when or where they will get a day's work. They don't arrange to locate permanently in a city where they cannot "make both ends meet" one year after another. And a big majority of them won't tie their money up in a home unless they regard the chances of that home growing in value as good.

When over 1,600 people buy homes in eight months, an average of over 200 a month, it is a sure sign that they are comfortable, busy and reasonably well satisfied with their surroundings. Else why would they have bought homes that represent a total of over $10,000,000, altogether too large a sum for many men of many minds to invest in "dead" property in any city.

Home Buyers Were Doing Well.

The past eight months has been in every-day parlance "dull." Business has been in the dumps in many lines. Industrial conditions were far from what Pittsburgh has seen in former years. Men of wealth held aloof from the market, waiting for developments to throw a light upon the business outlook. As a result the general real estate market has suffered severely, and in common with many other lines of business has been disappointing to those who were engaged in it. Through this period of depression its constant mainstay has been the home buyers, whose purchases have been numerous enough to show that they were not seriously affected by the depression and that they were prosperous. And since the improvement in business set in their purchases have increased at a rate that shows how firmly they believe in the immediate future of the busiest city in the world.

Since October 1, two months broken by election excitement and holiday festivity, over 400 homes have been bought in Pittsburgh alone, whose cost runs to $2,700,000. The inquiry and actual sales are increasing now at a rate that make it evident that under normal conditions the next four months will much more than keep up the ratio of gain.

Strong Demands for Homes.

More people are hunting homes with a view to buying in Greater Pittsburgh now than ever before. From all quarters of the city come reports that more houses could be sold if they were there and of the kind that the community in question demanded. From the high-class residence, with all modern improvements, situated in an aristocratic community to the neat dwelling of five or six rooms, located near the big works that furnish the support of thousands, there are many grades of houses and many prices, but they are all in demand. The one unsolved problem that meets the real estate man is why there are not more new houses built and where he can find a list of houses such as his customers want.

"Get me something to suit and I will buy," is a standing order at dozens of offices.

In a city as large as Pittsburgh it should not be hard to fill this call, especially if the house wanted costs not more than $6,000 or $8,000, but it is a fact that the number of houses actually for sale in any community is very limited compared with the demand for houses that would better fill the needs of prospective buyers. Certain builders are already taking advantage of this condition with considerable profit by selling houses on contract and then building them to suit the wishes of the purchaser insofar as they do not conflict with the general management of the surrounding properties.

Districts That Are Popular.

The buying movement has been well distributed since last spring. Certain localities have been great favorites with buyers and always will be as long as present conditions prevail. But in the most crowded sections of the city where there are fewer new houses the buying movement has been strong. The hill district has been well patronized by house hunters, for its convenience to the business center makes it an object for many to live there, while its cosmopolitan character makes it easy at all times to rent the dwellings at big rates. This district, as well as Oakland and other central localities, have lost much by the exodus to the East End and the suburbs, so that although the number of houses has not been materially increased the past year, the number of sales has been large.

A spirit of thrift is responsible for this big house-buying movement. Rents have advanced steadily for years. Many regard them as out of all proportion to the actual benefits derived. Poor houses command a big rental, even when badly located. Really desirable houses in good neighborhoods have been bid up to a point that is prohibitive for many.

Not All the Landlord's Fault.

The fault is not all the landlords' by any means. In the end supply and demand regulate the price of house rents as well as any other commodity, and if there were more houses to suit the needs of tenants rents would be lower. But when a half dozen applicants scramble to get a certain house weeks ahead of the time it will be vacant, it is absurd to suppose the landlord is going to put the price down. Tired of paying these seemingly exorbitant rents, hundreds of men have done a little figuring on their own hook and have found that even with limited means they can buy a home and pay for it as easily or more so than they could pay rent. And "we are our own landlords" is the jolly argument they use to persuade their friends to go and do likewise. Every dollar paid out on their purchase makes them, not somebody else, richer.

A large proportion of houses sold are always disposed of on a cash basis or with the bulk of the price paid at the time of purchase. This has been true of the deals of the past eighth months, for in the ranks of buyers have been found a good proportion able to pay for their new homes. But the number of men who are buying homes on easy payments increases every year.

Installment Plan Popular.

High rents and stingy landlords on the one hand and low payments and easy terms on the other make a purchase seem to them much more desirable than a continuation of the old plan of paying big rent. A few hundred dollars down and monthly payments that are but a very little in advance of rent make home buying an occupation which practically every industrious man can engage in. Today the hundreds of inquiries received every week by brokers all over the city as to the terms of payment on houses offered for sale show that the comparatively new installment plan of buying is proving immensely popular.

It is this way of selling houses that has contributed most to the success of many new allotments. Beimar place in the Twenty-first ward is a conspicuous example where this sort of buying has prevailed, for the majority of houses disposed of there have been sold on monthly installments. Since the plan was opened four years ago one builder alone has sold 125 houses, most of them in this way. Other speculative builders have made notable successes on this plan of dealing. It is due to rapid house selling in Beimar that the Twenty-first ward ranks first in the number of houses sold in the last eight months and third in the total of its sales. This way of selling houses has also contributed very largely to the big totals of house selling rolled up in the Nineteenth and Twentieth wards.

In the Nineteenth Ward.

Speculative houses in the Nineteenth ward have sold well and the deals for big residence properties have swelled the totals for the ward. It is a common assertion among real estate men that it is easier to sell a house in the Twentieth ward than anywhere else in the city, providing it is the kind that Twentieth ward residents want, and this means that the average cost of the houses sold there runs close to $10,000. In spite of the rapid growth of the suburbs, the East End continues to be a strong magnet for house buyers, and the three wards mentioned are likely to hold their prestige with the ordinary home hunter for a long time. The success which builders like George H. Shickler, Charles R. Miller & Co. and Thomas McConnell have met with in these wards has encouraged them to continue their operations there and has brought out a large amount of capital from other sources to be invested in house building.

The Twenty-second ward falls slightly below the other three in the total of its sales. But in prospects for house selling the next year it may be said to rank ahead of them. The big improvements made all over the Squirrel Hill district the past summer in the way of new streets and boulevards have called the attention of builders to the possibilities of quick selling, and next year promises to be a banner period for this ward in house deals.

Swissvale Has Become Prominent.

Close to the East End and sharing all its natural advantages, Swissvale has come into prominence the last year as a Mecca for house buyers. Its level sites and nearness to Pittsburgh, as well as all the thriving mill towns up the Monongahela river, make it a desirable point for hundreds to locate whose work is in some of these places. In the character of its improvements and the methods which have been used to make home buying easy for the masses the pretty borough takes first rank. The Swissvale Improvement Company has built and sold and built again. Since last spring its sales have been steady and few of its houses are left unsold. John H. Galey's operations have been equally successful and the popularity of the borough with home buyers is evidenced clearly by the sale of 30 of the Sherman houses in the last four months. Recently this property was put in charge of Frank B. Tomb, and if present plans carry 20 or more houses will be built on the vacant frontage early in the spring.

Wilkinsburg has had a very successful season in house selling and will have many new houses on the market soon. E. J. Sweeney has just completed ten houses in North avenue and bunches of from six to a dozen new houses are to be seen in every ward.

It has been said that Pittsburghers would "buy any old thing with a roof on" providing they could get it quickly. It does not pay to build really high-class houses, unique in design and costly in their finish, is a remark often heard among builders.

Assertions Are Proved False.

But one suburb demonstrates the falsity of these assertions, for since Frank Thornburg started to build a suburb that would be a lasting credit to the city the class of buyers attracted to Thornburg and the number of sales made shows that an exclusive residence district well located is no less popular with the best class of home buyers than the cheaper localities with the laboring classes.

Knoxville has been a conspicuous example of successful house selling on easy payments ever since the Knoxville Land Improvement Company began to build up the borough. The sales made this year attest the popularity of the clean and healthy borough that overtops the grimy city. While fewer houses have been built this year than in former years in the suburbs, the sales on all the new allotments have been very satisfactory and most of the builders who invested their money in houses last year are preparing to build large bunches next year. The West Liberty and Mt. Lebanan districts and the West View properties are localities where the call for houses is increasing at a rate that promises a rapid growth in population within the next two years.

No ward in the city has shown more activity in building than the Twenty-third. Its total sales is smaller, but this is accounted for by the fact that the houses were not there to sell. When the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company cleared off square after square for its yards and shops it forced dozens of families out of the ward. To provide homes for the population that can be easily supported by the railroad and mills over 500 houses are already planned for next year. A big proportion of these will be built under the direction of W. S. Haynes, whose success as manager of the Glenwood Land Company has made him thoroughly conversant with the needs of the ward.

Allegheny Brokers Have Been Busy.

If the total of Allegheny sales were added to that of Pittsburgh it would show a big increase. The convenience of the North Side is too strong an argument in its favor to be put out of the minds of busy home buyers, and Allegheny brokers have had their full share of business this year. This is especially true of the outlying sections, where the number of houses built and sold is good proof of the rapid growth of the beautiful districts that surround the old town. A striking example of this growth is seen on Walker place in the Eleventh ward, where out of 25 houses built 19 have already been sold at prices ranging from $9,000 to $12,000. Next year the Walker Place Improvement Company, of which George T. McDonald is the moving spirit, will build 26 more similar houses to meet the call for high-class homes in that neighborhood.

It is safe to say that $14,000,000 worth of houses have been sold in Greater Pittsburgh since April 1. In Pittsburgh alone 1,654 houses have been marketed whose cost was over $10,000,000. That the house buying movement will strengthen as the renting season approaches is certain, for the increase in inquiry now furnishes the best of evidence that people have money and are anxious to buy. The table given below offers some interesting comparisons as showing the growth and popularity of different sections of the city. It shows the number of houses sold in the residence wards of Pittsburgh from April 1 to December 1 with their cost.

Figures on Home Buying.

Ward.	Number of Sales.	Amount.
Nineteenth	214	$1,812,418
Twentieth	181	1,806,871
Twenty-first	264	1,238,060
Twenty-second	79	965,385
Fourteenth	107	855,687
Eighth	102	584,815
Thirteenth	147	467,571
Sixth	52	379,700
Thirty-seventh	65	317,835
Twenty-third	75	300,909
Eleventh	52	244,315
Seventeenth	40	224,750
Seventh	36	173,900
Eighteenth	32	148,900
Sixteenth	28	113,596
Thirty-second	35	111,685
Twenty-seventh	22	77,840
Fifth	7	74,450
Tenth	6	60,100
Twenty-fifth	10	62,034
Twelfth	6	55,855
Thirty-eighth	13	51,900
Fifteenth	5	39,500
Twenty-fourth	4	18,600
Thirty-fifth	5	14,600
Twenty-ninth	4	12,100

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I Have Made the Most Marvelous Discovery for the Positive Cure of Deafness and Head Noises and I Give the Secret Free.

With This Wonderful, Mysterious Power I Have Made People, Deaf for Years, Hear the Tick of a Watch in a Few Minutes.

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After years of research along the lines of the deeper scientific mysteries of the occult and invisible of Nature-forces I have found the cause and cure of deafness and head noises, and I have been enabled by this same mysterious knowledge and power to give to many unfortunate and suffering persons perfect hearing again; and I say to those who have thrown away their money on cheap apparatus, salves, air pumps, washes, douches, and the list of innumerable trash that is offered the public through flaming advertisements, I can and will cure you to stay cured. I ask no money. My treatment method is one that is so simple it can be used in your own home. You can investigate fully, absolutely free and you pay for it only after you are thoroughly convinced that it will cure you, as it has others. It seems to make no difference with this marvelous new method how long you have been deaf nor what caused your deafness, this new treatment will restore your hearing quickly and permanently. No matter how many remedies have failed you—no matter how many doctors have pronounced your case hopeless, this new magic method of treatment will cure you. I prove this to your entire satisfaction before you pay a cent for it. Write today and I will send you full information absolutely free by return mail. Address Dr. Guy Clifford Powell, 1539 Auditorium Building, Peoria, Ill. Remember, send no money—simply your name and address. You will receive an immediate answer and full information by return mail.

I Have Demonstrated That Deafness Can Be Cured—Dr. Guy Clifford Powell.

More Informations Are Made.

Frederick Kress, who has been held for court for robbing his roommate, had two informations filed against him before Magistrate Kirby yesterday. It is claimed he is a professional boarding house thief. Mrs. C. E. Dean of 249 Forty-second street charges him with stealing $640 and Mrs. Daniel Ryan of 2016 Penn avenue charges him with robbing one of he boarders. There are a number of other boarding house keepers who are expected to appear against the man.

Pleaded Her Mother Was in Want.

Sarah McConnell of 24 Fulton street, who was arrested Friday night on complaint of Mrs. Annie Bahnson that the girl took $10 from her pocketbook, was discharged yesterday by Magistrate Stewart. The girl said she took the money because her mother was in want. When Mrs. Bahnson heard this she asked the magistrate to release the prisoner. The girl is 18 years old and boarded with Mrs. Bahnson.

GRAND HOLIDAY OPENING SALE.

With our positive determination to make our first Holiday sale unparalleled—one that creates the greatest footwear furor—one that speedily acquaints you with the high character and dependability of our shoes, we have lowered prices to the limit and emphatically insist—don't miss this exceptional opportunity Monday and Tuesday.

"Queen Quality" $3.50 Shoes . . $2.18

Ladies all know these shoes sell for $3.00 and $3.50 right here in the city. With these shoes of such enviable reputation we establish our value-giving power at $2.18.

Men's $3.50 Dress Shoes $1.98

Regular $3.50 Dress Shoes anywhere. We cut the price tomorrow to $1.98. Want the saving?

$3.50 Waterproof Shoes $1.98

Box calf hand-sewed oak soles, calf lined throughout—$3.50 cut to

$1.98

Ladies' $2.00 Kid Lace Shoes, Extension soles..... $1.00
Ladies' $1.25 Fur trimmed warm lined Juliets..... 69c
Men's $3.50 Rubber Boots, remarkable price..... $1.98
Men's 75c Leather Slippers, you get them Monday at..... 39c
Hockey Shoes for Men. We cut the price from $3.50 to..... $2.49
Boys' $1.50 Calf Lace Shoes, guaranteed to wear or new pair free..... 98c

Girls' $1.50 Velour and Vici Kid Lace Shoes..... 98c
Ladies' $3 and $3.50 Shoes, broken lots, nearly all sizes—different kinds—$3.00 and $3.50 Shoes..... $1.69
Ladies' $1.75 fleece lined felt lace Shoes..... 69c
Children's $1.00 fur trimmed Slippers, all sizes..... 59c
Misses' $2.50 Dress Shoes, lace and button, extremely elegant, cut price... $1.49
Misses' $1.25 Lace Shoes, dongola or box calf..... 69c

$5.00 Free in Trading Stamps to Anyone Starting a New Book.

$12.00 Free in Street Car Stamps or $7.00 Free in Green or Niagara Stamps with every purchase of $1.98 and upwards tomorrow.

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Not on Any Corner, But Between Fifth and Sixth Aves.
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Hot and cold water in every room. First-class cuisine and excellent service. Convenient to all car lines and East Liberty station.

FRANCIES WILL WATCH FOR FAKE TELEGRAMS

Tells How a Lobbyist Tried to Fool Him During the Last Session of Legislature.

"While discussing his legislative experience the other day, Representative John Francies of Allegheny told a story illustrative of the schemes the lobbyist attempts to secure support for the bill he is endeavoring to put through.

"I learned a good deal in the last session," said Mr. Francies. "I was a trifle green when I went to Harrisburg and may still have things to learn, but I am certain I will be able to tell a fake telegram when I see it. Two years ago we had a bill under consideration that the independent manufacturers of tobacco were anxious to defeat. The advocates of the measure were equally desirous of pressing it to enactment.

"Every member was besieged for support from both sides. The day the bill was to come up for final passage in the house the enemies of the proposed legislation made an effort to secure my vote. I had hardly reached my seat until a messenger boy, in full uniform, handed me a telegram. It was signed by a man who has been my friend since I was a boy. Almost any request he would make would be granted. In the strongest language I was urged to vote against the bill. Next came a telegram from a neighbor over in Allegheny. He was the last man I would have thought was interested, but the message looked genuine. It caused me to think.

"It takes an Irishman some time to see through things, but the final delivery of the messenger boy caused my eyes to open. He handed me a telegram, almost dripping wet from the copying machine. It read:

"'I beseech you to vote against the bill.'

"The telegram was dated Allegheny and signed by Robert McAfee. I happened to know Mr. McAfee was in Arizona. I glanced around the house and saw the lobbyist who was trying to defeat the bill sitting at the side of the chamber. I went to him and said:

"'Don't you think you are playing this game a little strong? I might have stood for the telegram from my old friend and the next door neighbor, but when you run in this one from McAfee, you went over the limit. McAfee is in Arizona.'

"The lobbyist reddened, while he tried to concoct a reply. Seeing he was trapped, he said:

"'I am stupid. Why the —— didn't I think to inquire whether or not McAfee was at home?'"

TWO CITIES PAY $1,000 A YEAR FOR TIME

Pittsburgh and Allegheny Split the Bill. Record Is Taken on Greentree Hill.

It costs Pittsburgh $666 66 a year to get the time of day and Allegheny pays $833 33 a year for the same information. This is because of a peculiar arrangement made years ago jointly by the two cities with the observatory of the Western university. The observatory agreed to furnish time to both cities for $1,000 a year and the expenses was divided between them, Pittsburgh agreeing to pay twice as much as Allegheny.

The time is taken daily from the sun by the observatory, located on the top of Greentree hill, in Riverview park, and is flashed over the wire by telegraph to the bureau of electricity in the public safety building. All the clocks in the engine and police station houses and the big clock in the city hall tower are regulated by it.

TALKED HIGHER SALARIES.

Committee on Teachers' Wages Will Conduct Its Work in Private.

The committee of five members of the central board of education appointed to prepare a schedule of teachers' salaries to be submitted to the committee on salaries, met yesterday afternoon in Dr. W. H. McKelvy's office and conferred nearly two hours.

Dr. McKelvy said after adjournment that no definite items in the schedule of salaries had been agreed upon. The subcommittee would meet from time to time until the schedule had been prepared, but would make nothing public until it had made its report to the general committee. It is believed the sub-committee will recommend an increase in salaries of from 20 to 25 per cent.

HOW POLICEMAN RILEY RAN TO EARN ACTOR'S REWARD

Pursued Lost Dog and Chased It to Stage of Duquesne Theater During the Performance.

Detective William Riley was telling yesterday of the first time he had the opportunity as a policeman to earn a reward. The reward was to be $10 for returning a fox terrier to the owner, an actor, and although the money was earned, it was never paid over.

This was some years ago, when Detective Riley was a policeman. An actor who was with a company at the Duquesne theater owned a fox terrier. The dog disappeared and when the man told Riley, whose beat included the theater, he said the dog was so peculiarly marked that if once seen it could never be forgotten. Riley, he said, could have $10 reward if he brought the dog to its owner. Three days later Riley saw the peculiarly marked fox terrier in Liberty avenue, two blocks away from the Duquesne theater. Riley coaxed, but it sidled away; he threatened it, and it ran; he pursued, and it took like the wind up Liberty avenue, turned down Cecil alley and darted into the back entrance of the Duquesne theater. Riley followed and stopped short suddenly, right in the wings. One step more he would have run out on the stage, with a matinee in progress.

The Duquesne was devoted to the legitimate drama then and Riley saw a funny sight. His actor was in the midst of a thrilling scene, but it was spoiled by the appearance of the dog. The animal, scared by Riley, ran between its master's legs and rubbed against them, while the object of its affection looked daggers through his makeup and the audience roared.

It was about the end of the act, the curtain went down and the actor strode off the stage.

"I found your dog," said Riley. "Now, give me $10."

But instead of thanks and $10 he was treated to a great flow of vituperative language. The actor cursed him for spoiling the scene, cursed the "stupid police" generally, the dog and everything connected with the city, and flatly declined to pay the reward. The dog would have been worth at least $10 to Riley, but he never saw it again.

THE "INVENTION"

Grandma Found It Convenient.

It is remarkable what a change can be made in a family by a simple rearrangement of food.

A Chicago mother says: "Much to my surprise yesterday morning I found the enclosed letter on my desk, written by my seven-year-old daughter without any suggestion from a soul, and the little letter induced me to write something of our experiences.

"First my son, who was very small and weak, was sent out to visit one of my sisters, and she induced him to start in on Grape-Nuts and cream in place of the ordinary food used.

"When the boy came back after an absence of about six months we could hardly believe our eyes. He had grown over three inches in height and was an entirely different fellow in every way, always ready for any athletic sport proposed and on the keen go all of the time, while before he only wanted to sit or lie down, and suffered greatly from headaches and general prostration.

"So we put our little girl on Grape-Nuts and she grew well and healthy and rosy in a short time.

"Then mother, who is 82 years old, began using Grape-Nuts and would frequently put the food into soup or with an egg into a bowl and pour broth over it.

"She had formerly been troubled with her stomach, suffering great pain at times; now she says the 'invention' has cured her and she uses Grape-Nuts in a variety of ways—puddings, dressing for chickens or turkeys, griddle cakes and all sorts of nice things.

"The boy has been using Grape-Nuts now for about two years and has grown something over seven inches and gained about 35 pounds, and is still improving."

The little girl's letter is too long to reproduce, but it is written in a very cunning style and tells her own story of how she got over being sick and was able to go to school again, making four grades in a short time, and how well and healthy she felt and how much she loved the Grape-Nuts.

She heard her mother tell her auntie that "Grape-Nuts was a Godsend," so she thought God made Grape-Nuts until she got hold of the little recipe book one day, which she found in the package, and the folks explained to her that it was made by some men in Battle Creek. Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Look in pkg. for the little book, "The Road to Wellville."

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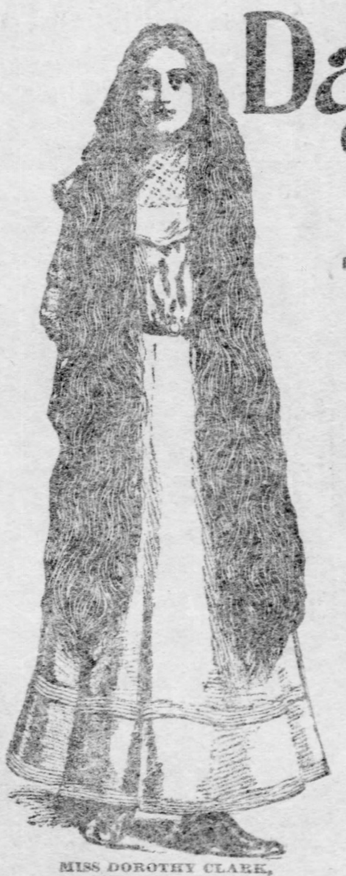

MISS DOROTHY CLARK, 2130 Gresham St., CHICAGO.

FRANCES MARIE KNOWLTON, 930 Garfield Boulevard, Chicago, Ill., Age 4 Years.

MISS LUCY MAY, 5036 Forestville Ave., CHICAGO.

LITTLE FRANCES MARIE KNOWLTON

whose photograph appears herewith has a most beautiful head of golden hair, thicker than the crown of glory of most mature women. Frances is only four years old, and her hair hangs within 12 inches of the floor. The extraordinary hair strengthening qualities of **Danderine** has grown for this little girl the most admirable head of hair ever possessed by a child of her age in the world. The other two ladies whose photographs are shown here are certainly delighted with the results they are getting. Neither of them having hair that would reach to their waists before beginning the use of Danderine.

IT IS POSITIVE AND PERMANENT IN ITS RESULTS.

When applied to the scalp on either old or young, it makes the hair sprout and grow thick, long and beautiful, and there is no waiting around for weeks and months to see results, either. Any druggist will refund the price if it does not accomplish every result we claim. **NOW** at all druggists in three sizes, **25** cents, **50** cents and **$1.00** per bottle.

FREE To show how quickly Danderine acts we will send a large sample free by return mail to any one who sends this advertisement to the Knowlton Danderine Co., Chicago, with their name and address and 10 cents in silver or stamps to pay postage.

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ANOTHER SCHEME TO SECURE CLERKS

A. F. of L. Determined to Control Salespeople of This District and Cripple K. of L.

SENDS OUT CIRCULAR LETTER

The effort made the past few weeks to have the Salespeople's assembly No. 4907, Knights of Labor, affiliate with the Retail Clerks' International union having failed, another plan has been mapped out by the leaders of the American Federation of Labor. The new method is expected eventually to bring about the same result, although it will require a longer time.

George B. Squires, second vice president of the retail clerks, has charge of the new plan, which is to organize locals made up of members regardless of their affiliations with any labor union. With this end in view Mr. Squires yesterday

GEORGE B. SQUIRES.
Second Vice President Retail Clerks' International Association.

mailed circular letters to all clerks employed in Pittsburgh. From these circulars he expects to get sufficient candidates for membership that will make a local stronger numerically than any clerks' organization in the country. The circular reads:

We take this opportunity of inviting you to affiliate yourself with our local organization.

The Retail Clerks' International Protective association is a fraternal and benevolent organization composed of clerks in all branches of the retail trade, with local organizations in all parts of the United States and Canada, with an aggregate membership of over 65,000.

Our affiliation with the American Federation of Labor assures us of the support of that body, and in this district, where 90 per cent of the working people belong to organizations affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, it gives your movement a prestige and support you could not otherwise gain.

Our locals are allowed complete autonomy in their respective localities, and permitted to enact any local laws for their advancement, providing, however, such laws do not conflict with the international constitution and by-laws.

The beneficiary of any member who has been in continuous good standing for at least one year, in case of death, is entitled to $100 to be paid by the national body. In addition to this it is the intention of the local union to establish a sick benefit fund, which will enable them to care for their members in case of illness.

We sincerely trust you will give this matter the consideration it deserves and lend your aid in elevating our calling to its proper position in the business world.

Should this matter meet with your approval, kindly fill out enclosed blank and forward it with $1, the initiation fee, to this office. Upon receipt of money, a receipt will be given you, which you are to hold until your initiation, when a certificate of membership will be given you.

Enclosed in the letter is an application blank, which the candidate fills out and returns to Mr. Squires. The retail clerks have been trying to get a foothold in Pittsburgh for the past few years and indications are they will be successful within the next few days.

Mr. Squires intends to have several locals formed in Pittsburgh, each to be employed in a separate kind of business. One local will be made up of drug clerks, another of furniture clerks and so on. Then a district council will be formed which will adjust all grievances between the members and employers.

DISCUSSED ADMITTANCE INTO NORMAL SCHOOLS

Prof. T. B. Noss Tells How High School Pupils Are Eligible—Principals Held Animated Session.

Prof. T. B. Noss of the California State Normal school attended the monthly meeting of the Round Table of the Allegheny County Principals' association in Heptasoph hall, Fourth avenue, yesterday afternoon, and defined the decision of the state normal authorities regarding admission of high school pupils.

He announced that high school pupils from first-class institutions, if recommended by a high school faculty, would be accepted in normal school middle grades, while pupils of high schools of the second class, would be accepted into the normal school classes of the junior year. Normal principals are arranging to confer with the Western Pennsylvania Schoolmasters' club on this question and a meeting will be held at an early date. The principals discussed "Methods in Arithmetic" along both "spiral" and "topical" lines, and finally agreed instruction embodying a modification of the two methods was best adopted to the needs of high school pupils.

Resignations of the five committeemen on salaries and tenure of office were accepted, and the committee discharged, at the monthly meeting of the Pittsburgh Principals' association, held in the Fifth Avenue High school building yesterday morning. The committee tendered its resignation at the November meeting, owing to criticism of their report submitted in October. The committee was composed of T. D. Sensor, G. W. Kratz, J. P. Stephens, Miss Nannie Mackrell and Miss E. M. Craig. The report, which was in sympathy with the sentiment of the association, favored increased salaries and longer tenure of office. The work of the committee was the cause for the announced objection.

Prof. R. H. Holbrook thought the committee too sensitive to criticism. Prof. C. B. Cook thought the resignations should be accepted and in his talk referred to "sectionalism." Prof. G. W. Kratz, chairman of the committee, asked for an explanation of the term "sectionalism" and wanted to know how many sections there were in the association. Prof. Cook answered that he used the term "sectionalism" to cover the differences in opinion which had so prominently expressed themselves in the past.

Supt. Andrews hoped there was no such thing as "sectionalism" in the association. He said there was no such thing as the alleged political influence in the schools and he had never countenanced bringing politics or religion into the schools. Prof. Garwood thought the committee should not be discharged, as it might divide the association on the subject of the duties of committees. Prof. McCullough moved to discharge the committee, which was approved almost unanimously.

The regular topic of the meeting, "Individuality of the Teacher," was discussed by Prof. W. A. Froudfit, Prof. R. H. Holbrook and Prof. William McCullough.

FIRE AND POISON.

Black's Home Was Burning While Ambulance Took Him to Hospital.

Frederick Black, aged 39, of 2405 Mission street, South Side, drank a vial of phenol just before he entered his home yesterday morning. He fell senseless in the house and was removed to St. Joseph's hospital. The police believe suicide was his intent.

While he was being conveyed to the hospital a fire was discovered in the house and an alarm sent in. The blaze was trifling and due to a defective flue.

PLATT SAYS ODELL HAS BROKEN FAITH

Depew Ready to Accept Result Placidly—Black Choice of Opposition.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Senator T. C. Platt, who arrived today preparatory to the opening of congress, took occasion to announce that Gov. Odell's opposition to the election of Senator Chauncey Depew was a rank breach of faith. He contends Gov. Odell promised to remain neutral if the two senators secured several contributions for the state campaign fund, which they did.

Senator Depew arrived in this city to attend the opening of congress. When asked about the contest for the senatorship he said:

"I am an optimist, and believe things will come my way. If they do not, I am a Calvinist, and believe the Lord has so directed for my best good."

Former Gov. Frank S. Black's law partner, Abraham Gruber, today made the announcement that Gov. Odell and the members of the legislature had decided to elect Mr. Black as United States senator.

SUBWAY NEARS COMPLETION.

Paris Prides Itself That New System Will Excel That Now Operating in Gotham.

PARIS, Dec. 4.—(Special Cable.)—The great Paris subway, which Frenchmen claim will be far superior to that of New York on many points, is rapidly being finished. When the system is completed the total length of the lines will be nearly 50 miles. In front of the opera three tunnels have been dug, one underneath the other, as three lines cross at this point.

The cars are to be very similar to those used in New York, but the trains will run much faster, and the walls of the tunnels will be entirely covered with enameled brick, and an electric ventilating apparatus will continually renew the supply of fresh air in the tunnel, which will be brightly illuminated throughout its entire length.

The work is now going on in six sections without in any way interfering with the traffic in the streets. Two sections are completed and the others will rapidly follow.

MAY SETTLE WATER DISPUTE.

Continuance Granted in Proceedings Between Altoona and Pennsylvania Railroad.

ALTOONA, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The dispute between the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and the city of Altoona to gain control of the water supply of Tipton Run, eight miles east of here, was brought before the county court for argument today. It was decided by the court to grant a continuance in the proceedings in order that the relative merits of the contestants can be ascertained and in the meantime it is believed that an amicable settlement will be reached.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has already expended $180,000 in building a reservoir and laying pipes. This work is to be completed within a few days and furnish the company with 200,000 gallons of water a day, which it is now getting from the city. The surplus water is to be turned into the city pipes.

WILL BUY PENN INCLINE.

Pittsburgh Railways Company Plans to Equip It Modernly.

Negotiations are said to have been practically closed between Joshua Rhodes, the purchaser of the Penn incline plane at the recent trustees' sale, and the Pittsburgh Railways Company, by which the latter will take over the incline.

The policy of the railways company will be to re-equip the incline with modern cars and facilities, and to make it pay by increasing the patronage. It has not been a paying property recently.

ASSERTS CANCER CAN BE CURED

Robson Tells of Successful Operations Before London College of Surgeons.

SOME CASES DUE TO TOBACCO

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]
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LONDON, Dec. 3.—"Too late," declared Mr. A. W. Mayo Robson, in a lecture on cancer and its treatment before the Royal College of Surgeons this week, had yet to be said in one half or three quarters of the cases seen by surgeons. It was high time that both the public and the profession shook off their pessimism in regard to cancer.

As justification for his optimism, Mr. Robson quoted some remarkable statistics of successful operations. Out of 62 private operations of his own for cancer of the breast one patient had lived 12 years, two nine years, three six years and others for a shorter period. Out of 175 operations performed by another surgeon 108 remained free from local recurrence, and lastly there was the instance of Dr. Cullinworth, who had repeated operations during six years and then lived 40 years in perfect health. In cancer of the larynx 15 permanent cures had been effected out of 18 patients, and in 40 cases of cancer of the intestines only six died. In 12 cases of cancer of the gall, bladder and the liver, 10 had recovered.

An interesting sidelight was the fact that out of 77 cases of cancer of the lip only three were of females. This, said Mr. Robson, was due to the immoderate use of tobacco. Many cases might be prevented by the use of cigar and cigarette holders, and cases had greatly diminished since people had given up the clay pipe. In many cases, Mr. Robson concluded, cancer can be prevented altogether in pre-cancerous stage. If seen early it can often be cured, and even if seen late it can be greatly relieved.

CURZON A GOOD SHOT, BUT GOD WAS MERCIFUL

Indian Servant's Explanation of Viceroy's Failure to Make a Record for Marksmanship.

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Lord Curzon, who is more cheerful and in better health, told a good story against himself to some friends the other day before his departure for India.

There are days when the viceroy of India does not shoot as straight as he might and on one snipe shooting expedition in particular, just before he left India, he missed nearly every bird.

A faithful native servant, who seldom leaves the viceroy, was asked by one of the staff how his master had shot during the day.

"His magnificence shot divinely," said the servant; "but God was merciful to the birds."

Those who have seen Lady Curzon declare that though frail and very thin, her face is younger and more beautiful than ever. Lord Curzon will remain in India until next spring, when he will return home for good to enter the political arena.

DEBUTANTES ENTERTAINED AT THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt tonight entertained a small company at dinner, which was followed by a musicale. The guests included some of Miss Roosevelt's young friends and debutantes of this season. The dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goelet, who will spend Sunday at the White House, the Misses Warder, Miss Josephine Boardman, Miss MacVeagh, Representative Longworth, Viscount De Chambrun, Count Sala, Lieut. U. S. Grant III. and William Hitt.

BALDAUF FELL TO DEATH DOWN THE CELLAR STEPS

Mt. Oliver Millworker Meets Quick and Tragic End—Kurtz Ends Life With Poison.

Cornelius Baldauf, aged 21, was accidentally killed by falling down a flight of stairs into the cellar at the saloon of Frederick Lechner, Penn avenue and Carbon street, Mt. Oliver, Friday night. On returning from work in the American tin plate works, in South Fifteenth street, Baldauf and several companions stopped to play pool in Southern avenue, Mt. Oliver. About 11 p. m. Baldauf and his companions went to the saloon, where Baldauf fainted while ascending the stairs, and fell backward, striking his head on the cellar floor, fracturing his skull. He died 10 minutes later in convulsions.

Albert G. Kurtz, aged 33, of Cicero alley, Thirty-first ward, committed suicide at his home yesterday by taking carbolic acid. He had been drinking and quarreled with his wife. He took the poison early in the morning and died in the afternoon. Last Tuesday, after an altercation, Mrs. Kurtz made an information against her husband. Kurtz promised to quit drinking and his wife withdrew the information. Friday he came home intoxicated and the quarrel was renewed. About 1 o'clock yesterday morning Fred Ubinger, who boarded with the couple, heard Mrs. Kurtz say her husband had taken carbolic acid. Ubinger assisted Kurtz to his room, where he died.

The inquest into the death of John J. Mansfield, who was killed by a street car at Esplen last Tuesday night, will be held this week. Levi Hutson, who is suspected of having pushed the man in front of the car, is still in jail. Hutson maintains he did not shove his friend in front of the car and had no reason for doing so.

John Woods, aged 65, who lived in a shantyboat at Coraopolis, died yesterday morning from the effects of poison, taken in mistake for whisky. Instead of whisky he got a bottle containing a solution of paint fluid. Woods was a veteran of the civil war, being a member of Col. Hull Post, No. 157, Grand Army of the Republic, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. At the funeral today Grand Army veterans will march to the grave in Coraopolis cemetery and the Odd Fellows will have charge of the ceremonies. This is the third death in the Woods family in the year, two sisters having died. Mr. Woods was born in Darlington, Beaver county, and went to Coraopolis 20 years ago. He was a ship carpenter by trade and never married. At the beginning of the civil war he enlisted in a New York regiment and fought in the Army of the Potomac under Gen. Grant, serving three years. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Belle Cunningham of West Bridgewater, and a brother, William Woods of Homestead.

The deaths of two unknown men were reported to the morgue last night, both being killed on railroads. The body of one, killed on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston at Dravosburg, about 8 o'clock, was brought to the morgue. It is that of a man about 50 years old, weighing about 160 pounds, dark hair and mustache and wearing a black suit of clothes. The other man was killed at Brownsdale, on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, and, as it is thought he may belong to that neighborhood, the body was left there last night for identification.

Helen Wirbeck, aged 6, of Blackberry alley, McKeesport, died at her home yesterday from heart disease. The girl had been playing with some children and when she entered the house sank to the floor and died.

John Coulson, aged 54, a coal miner, was killed by a train at Sygan station, on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston railroad, yesterday morning.

A man supposed to be R. Dawson was found unconscious in West park, Allegheny, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Officer John Diebold was notified sometime later and calling No. 2 patrol wagon sent him to the Allegheny General hospital. By that time it was 5 o'clock, and when the hospital was reached the man was dead. A pay envelope was found in one of his pockets which bore the name R. Dawson, which showed he had worked at Solomon's store for three days. The initials "R. D." were tattooed on his left arm. There were no marks of violence on his body. The man was about 35 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighed 175 pounds. He had dark hair and a black mustache, and wore a black overcoat and suit and a blue percale shirt.

TAFT MAKES AGREEMENT WITH PANAMA PUBLIC

President Approves Understanding Reached With Reference to Canal Zone.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The report of Secretary Taft, special envoy of the United States to Panama, of his negotiations with that government, has been received here. It may be stated with authority that after careful consideration the president has given his entire approval to the same and has advised Secretary Taft by cable to this effect.

PANAMA, Dec. 3.—Approval was received from Washington this afternoon by Secretary Taft to conclude the agreement reached by him and officials of the Panama government looking to the settlement of points in dispute regarding the government of the canal zone. The text of the agreement will be made public Monday. Secretary Taft will sail for the United States next Wednesday, but will stop at Kingston, Jamaica, to look into the question of securing laborers there for work on the canal.

BRICK MEN COMBINE.

New Company With $5,800,000 Capital Formed, and Will Build a Plant Here.

A combination of four Pennsylvania brick companies was formed at Reading yesterday under the name of the United States Brick Company. It is capitalized at $5,800,000, and proposes to build plants in Pittsburgh, Washington, D. C., Baltimore, New York, Hartford, Boston and Cleveland. The president of the company is A. A. Gery of Reading.

Local brick manufacturers deny any knowledge of the concern's formation or of a project to build additional plants here. The large capitalization of the company is taken, however, as an indication that it will carry out its plans to build in many cities, as this will be necessary to make the concern pay.

BLUFFED THE WATCHMAN.

Sensational Story Causes the Arrest of a Wilkinsburg Man.

Detectives Demmel and McDonald last night arrested Samuel Murrington, a clerk, on charges of pointing firearms and larceny, on information made before Magistrate Stewart by P. J. Riley, a watchman for the Pittsburgh & Terminal Warehouse Company in South Third street.

It is alleged Murrington entered the office of the company Friday night and took two watches, a revolver and $50 in cash. Riley saw him leaving, and when he attempted to stop him Murrington drew his revolver and went on. Murrington lives in Wilkinsburg.

SOUTH SIDE FUGITIVE GAVE POLICE LONG CHASE

Andrew Hengstler, a bridgeworker of 2822 Larkins alley, South Side, was arrested last night after giving the police a chase of nearly half a mile. Several shots were fired at the fugitive and he made a desperate resistance when caught under a box car in the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad yards. He was taken to the South Side police station and held on a charge of felonious assault on Theodore Funk of 2404 Josephine street. Funk was seriously injured in a brawl with Hengstler on Friday night.

Steel Company Employes Hold Banquet.

MONESSEN, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—A banquet in one of the large rooms of the Pittsburgh Steel Company's office building tonight marked the second anniversary of the starting of the plant here. There were 150 guests, including many from the Pittsburgh office. George Nash, manager of the plant, was toastmaster, and talks were given by William Rice, treasurer; Harry Pore, editor of the Monessen Independent; Alfred Stewart of Charleroi and W. C. Fishburn. Six orchestras furnished music.

WINE WAS CUT OUT OF THE LAUNCHING PROGRAM

Governor Frazier Even Had to Supply Bottle of Champaigne to Christen Tennessee.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—There was no wine at the luncheon following the christening of the armored cruiser Tennessee today, and the governor of Tennessee and his party didn't like the omission a bit. Even the bottle which his daughter, Anne Edith Frazier, hurled at the cruiser's bows was provided by the governor himself.

Gov. Frazier voiced his surprise thus after the luncheon:

"It was certainly not because of any request from the members of the party from Tennessee that wine was omitted from the menu. In fact, its omission was rather a matter of regret. A good Tennessee friend of mine even had to supply me with the bottle that was used at the christening."

That the governor and his party came up from Tennessee expecting to have their thirsts quenched is evidenced by the following story told by Col. P. A. Sheton of the governor's staff:

"The W. C. T. U. of Tennessee wrote to the governor, asking that only water be used to christen the vessel. Gov. Frazier replied he could see no objection to using champagne, but that he agreed that the breaking of the bottle was the waste of a good thing."

The absence of wine at the luncheon overturns traditions of years.

Pennsylvania Club Will Have a Dance.

The Pennsylvania club of the Notre Dame university of Notre Dame, Ind., will give a dance at Braun's auditorium on Wednesday, January 4. It promises to be one of the notable events of the Christmas vacation. The Pennsylvania club is the leading social organization at Notre Dame and its functions of the university are among the important events of the year. The officers of the club are: Edward H. Schwab of Loretto, president; Raymond J. Daschbach of Pittsburgh, secretary, and Howard Diebold of Pittsburgh, treasurer.

Says Christy Is a Thief.

Jacob Christy, colored, was arrested last night by Detective Elmore and locked in the Center avenue police station. He was later identified by T. H. Harris of 1422 Wylie avenue as the man who entered his pool room early yesterday morning with the intention, Harris alleges, of committing a robbery. Harris says he heard some one in the place and when he entered the room Christy knocked him down and escaped.

Kittanning May Have Cheap Gas.

KITTANNING, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The latest development in the gas rate war is the declaration that the court will be asked to decide if a gas company can charge one consumer one price and another a higher rate. Should the court decide that this cannot be done, then Kittanning people will be furnished gas at 12 cents a thousand for the next three years, as one of the companies have made contracts for that period at that rate with several hotels.

What Sulphur Does

For the Human Body in Health and Disease.

The mention of sulphur will recall to many of us the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and fall.

It was the universal spring and fall "blood purifier," tonic and cure-all, and mind you, this old-fashioned remedy was not without merit.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable, and a large quantity had to be taken to get any effect.

Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects of sulphur in a palatable, concentrated form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoonful of the crude sulphur.

In recent years, research and experiment have proven that the best sulphur for medicinal use is that obtained from Calcium (Calcium Sulphide) and sold in drug stores under the name of Stuart's Calcium Wafers. They are small chocolate coated pellets and contain the active medicinal principle of sulphur in a highly concentrated, effective form.

Few people are aware of the value of this form of sulphur in restoring and maintaining bodily vigor and health; sulphur acts directly on the liver, and excretory organs and purifies and enriches the blood by the prompt elimination of waste material.

Our grandmothers knew this when they dosed us with sulphur and molasses every spring and fall, but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flours of sulphur were often worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur, of which Stuart's Calcium Wafers is undoubtedly the best and most widely used.

They are the natural antidote for liver and kidney troubles and cure constipation and purify the blood in a way that often surprises patients and physicians alike.

Dr. R. M. Wilkins while experimenting with sulphur remedies soon found that the sulphur from Calcium was superior to any other form. He says: "For liver, kidneys and blood troubles, especially when resulting from constipation or malaria, I have been surprised at the results obtained from Stuart's Calcium Wafers. In patients suffering from boils and pimples and even deep-seated carbuncles, I have repeatedly seen them dry up and disappear in four or five days, leaving the skin clear and smooth. Although Stuart's Calcium Wafers is a proprietary article, and sold by druggists, and for that reason tabooed by many physicians, yet I know of nothing so safe and reliable for constipation, liver and kidney troubles and especially in all forms of skin disease as this remedy."

At any rate people who are tired of pills, cathartics and so-called blood "purifiers," will find in Stuart's Calcium Wafers, a far safer, more palatable and effective preparation.

A Seasonable Suggestion.

BRACE BROS.
LAUNDERERS, DYERS AND CLEANERS,
WILKINSBURG—BOTH TELEPHONES.

Santa Claus Welcomes You to

THE ACKNOWLEDGED HEADQUARTERS FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

This is a Christmas store for everybody, a shopping center with manifold advantages, affording busy people every facility for satisfactory buying during the Holiday rush. Immense stocks of Christmas goods are ready in all departments. PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY AT A SUBSTANTIAL SAVING.

The Leader DEPARTMENT STORE
212 to 214 FIFTH AVE. THRU TO 237 to 241 DIAMOND ST.
FASTEST GROWING STORE IN GREATER PITTSBURGH.

Xmas Dolls

We've founded a new city, called Dollville, peopled it with the most interesting little folks imaginable and now invite the children to enjoy it. Bring them any time.

DOLL SPECIALS

$1.00 Dressed Dolls—moving eyes—stylish gowns..... 69c

$1.50 Kid Body Dolls—greatest values ever known..... 98c

40c Dressed Dolls—a grand assortment..... 24c

EXTRA SPECIAL—1,000 Dressed and Undressed Dolls—worth 19c—special..... 9c

XmasNovelties

Satin Glove and Handkerchief Boxes—with hand-painted celluloid top; actually worth 39c; special..... 19c

Handsome Cigar Jars—large glass jars with silver plated tops; cheap at 75c; special..... 48c

Brush and Comb Set—good bristles with silver plated back; worth $1.00..... 69c

50c Smoker Sets—with separate receptacles for ashes, matches and cigars; special..... 24c

$1.50 Smokers' Tables—hardwood—brass finished cigar, ash and match holders, 34 inches high; special..... 98c

Holiday Handkerchiefs.

We want to show you the splendid bargains for Xmas shoppers in our handkerchief department.

5,000 dozen—A spot cash purchase—at exactly one-half price. Buy now.

10c Lace Trimmed and Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 25 styles, choice..... 5c

20c Fine Swiss Handkerchiefs, daintily lace trimmed, special..... 10c

25c and 35c Extra Fine Sheer Handkerchiefs, 25 styles to select from, choice..... 15c

Ladies' 35c and 50c Handkerchiefs—extra Fine Swiss Embroidered—with very firm edges—special..... 23c

XmasNovelties

Metal Novelties—Deer, dogs, etc.; worth 20c; special..... 9c

Glove and Handkerchief Boxes—imitation of carved leather; actually worth 60c..... 24c

Children's Work Boxes—imitation leather case, with complete sewing outfit; special..... 24c

Automobile Smoker Sets—exact imitation of an auto; $1.50 value..... 98c

$1.50 Toilet Set—6 pieces, in pretty fancy box; special..... 98c

900 Ladies' Leather Hand Bags

(Sample lines)

The most wanted styles in all kinds of leather, strap or braided leather handles,

$1.00 BAGS 48c

$1.50 BAGS 69c

$2.00 BAGS 98c

Holiday Ribbons

You'll have a hundred uses for these rich Christmas Ribbons—you'll not duplicate our prices in this city—buy them early and plan Xmas decorations at your leisure.

Baby Ribbons—all shades of satin and grosgrain, including the bright red and holly leaf green; 10-yard pieces for..... 9c

12½c for Satin Taffeta Ribbon, in all shades, 4 inches wide, including black and white, 19c quality.

19c Satin Taffeta Ribbon, all shades; the 22c quality.

18c Brilliant Taffeta Ribbon, 5 inches wide, all shades; the kind you have bought for 25c and up.

(Bows tied by experts free of charge.)

Xmas Jewelry

Extra Specials for Monday

25c Rhinestone Bar Pins, while this lot lasts; special..... 15c

Imported Brooches—worth up to 75c; special..... 24c

Up to 75c Scarf Pins—opal centers, set with handsome rhinestones..... 24c

A handsome line of Imported Brooches—with beautiful rhinestone sets, at $1.98, $1.69, $1.39, 98c, 69c and 48c

1,000 Sterling Silver Thimbles; special, one day..... 8c

Double Globe Trading Stamps Till Noon Monday —Single Thereafter—

Globe premiums help wonderfully to fill up your Xmas gift lists.

Basement Bargains

5c a yard for Unbleached Domet Flannel; good quality; the 7½c kind.

6¼c a yard for Bleached Domet Flannel; usually sold at 8½c.

7½c a yard for Flannelettes in black and white shepherd check style; sold regularly at 10c.

6½c a yard for Heavy Comfort Prints, 30 inches wide, patchwork styles, the 10c kind.

10c a yard for fancy Cotton Suitings—36 inches wide; in choice dark colors; regular value 15c.

24c each for Domet Skirt Patterns, in light or dark colors; embroidered edge; regular value 35c.

89c a bolt for English Long Cloth, 12 yards to bolt, 36 inches wide; usually sold at $1.25.

98c each for White Crochet Bed Spreads, in hemmed or fringed large size; the $1.35 kind.

$2.69 a pair for All-Wool Blankets in plaid styles, large size; regular value $3.50.

$3.98 a pair for All-Wool White Blankets, with fancy border; large 11-4 size; regular value $5.50.

2¼c for 6c Dress Ginghams, Tartan Plaids and small checks.

Cloak and Suit Deparment

Some Very Special Offerings in Cloaks and Suits.

Fine Panne Cheviot Tourist Coats, three-quarter length, brown or black, value $12.50, Monday..... $7.98

Elegant Kersey Coats, 42 in. long, collarless, in castor, black or brown, very stylish; value $15.00; Monday..... $8.98

Cheviot or Kersey Coats, fitted or loose back, pleated or plain, some full satin lined, value $22.50; Monday..... $14.98

Strictly Tailor-Made Suits, black, blue, brown or fancy mixtures, Eton or coat styles, satin lined, value $15 and $18, Monday..... $9.90

Children's Dresses

100 to Choose From. Broadcloth, cashmere and fancy mixed Scotch effects. Regular $1.25 to $1.75 goods, all styles trimming. Sizes 1 to 5 years; Monday and Tuesday..... 98c

Buy Christmas Furs

We show, as usual, the Fur Bargains of the City. These Specials for Monday and Tuesday.

Black Coney Fur Scarfs, four tails, value $1.25, Monday, 69c

Blended Muskrat Scarf—four large tails, value $4.00, $2.50

Opossum, Electric Seal or Australian Mink Scarfs, value $8.50, $5.00

Electric Seal Coats, 24 inches long, large Medici Collar, large reveres, handsome satin lining, value $35.00, $19.98

Near Seal Coats with full sleeves, large Medici collar and reveres, Skinner's guaranteed satin lining, value $40.00, $27.50

PICTURE FRAMES Half Price

Choice from 1,000 Gilt and Black Frames, from $1 to $18, now HALF PRICE.

XMAS CANDIES

25 Kinds Good Pure Candies—special, a pound..... 9c

Double Globe Trading Stamps Till Noon Monday —Single Thereafter—

Globe premiums help wonderfully to fill up your Xmas gift lists.

Sacrifice Prices on Dress Goods and Silks

French Broadcloths and Venetians—new shades, worth $1.75; price for three days, per yard..... $1.25

40-inch Coverts and Venetians—worth up to 59c; price for three days, per yard..... 49c

52-inch Habit Cloths—black and colors; 98c grade; price for three days, per yd..... 59c

4-inch All-Wool Scotch Mixtures; mannish effects; worth 65c and 75c; three days' special price, per yard..... 45c

SILK SPECIALS

Silk Louisines, the 69c kind; large choice of colors, while 1,000 yds. last, per yd..... 39c

Brocaded Silks—light and dark colors for Suits and Evening Waists; worth from 75c to $1.50; special price, 98c, 59c and..... 49c

36-inch Black Guaranteed Taffeta and Peau de Soie; worth $1.35; Monday and Tuesday, per yard..... 97c

32-inch Black Crushed Velvet, the regular $2.25 grade, per yard..... $1.29

CURTAIN SPECIALS

500 Nottingham Curtain Ends, renaissance designs, wide and long, each..... 12½c

Window Shades, good dark colors, made of heavy muslins, 38 inches wide, 6 feet long; complete with slats and brackets each..... 21c

Irish Point and Renaissance designs in Nottingham Curtains, extra wide and long; heavy nets; worth $2.00; at pair..... $1.24

Double Globe Trading Stamps Till Noon Monday —Single Thereafter—

Globe premiums help wonderfully to fill up your Xmas gift lists.

GIFTS FOR MEN

Men's pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, excellent quality, 6 in a box for 85c, or each..... 15c

Men's Silk Suspenders each pair in a handsome box, a very special lot that would be cheap at 75c per pair..... 48c

Silk Mufflers, complete assortment black, white and the wanted colors, wonderful values at $1.48, 98c and..... 48c

Women's Underwear and Hosiery

Women's Heavy Weight Fleeced Vests and Pants, choice of cream or ecru color; positively 50c garments; special..... 39c

SPECIAL—Two cases Women's Fast Black Fleeced Cotton Hose, with ribbed cuff top and full seamless foot; value 19c; while they last..... 12c

LINEN DEP'T

25c a yard for Half Bleached Table Damask, 54 inches wide; good quality; regular value 35c.

50c a yard for All-Linen Half Bleached Table Damask, 61 inches wide; extra heavy quality; usually sold at 75c.

$1.98 each for Fringed Linen Table Sets; cloth 2½ yards long, with one dozen napkins to match; regular value $2.75.

XMAS GLOVES

FOR MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD.

Men's $1.00 Kid Gloves—excellent quality, a pair..... 79c

Women's $1.00 Kid Gloves—2-clasp, special, a pair..... 65c

75c Pure Wool Gloves—with pearl clasps—special..... 48c

39c Cashmere Gloves—2-clasp, silk embroidered backs..... 24c

$1.50 Mannish Gloves—made of genuine Cape stock..... $1.25

Misses' Kid Gloves—browns, tans and reds; worth $1.00..... 75c

POTENT FACTOR IN SCHOOL LIFE

Superintendent Is the Central Figure Around Which All the Machinery Moves.

ELECTION IS DRAWING NEAR

The triennial election of country, city and borough school superintendents, although not held for several months, is already attracting much attention throughout the state. While the school superintendency is presumably a non-political office it is a significant fact that those elected invariably belong to the dominant party, and candidates for the place canvass for the same as energetically as the professional politician who desires to serve his country as coroner or alderman.

This triennial election attracts more attention in the rural communities than in the centers of greater population, although it is by no means overlooked in the latter. The superintendent of schools, known in some communities as "the superintendent," is the best known man in his county. The judges and the other county officials sit in their ponderous dignity at the county seat and usually come in contact with only a limited number of people aside from those having official business with them. But "the superintendent" has to hustle; he must go all over the county and he meets individually a very large number of the census units. His comings and goings, his appearance and manners, his dress and his jokes are heralded in every household by those keen-eyed and irrepressible constituents known as the rising generation.

Superintendent the One Inspected.

For example, Superintendent Hamilton of the Allegheny county schools, was looked over, inspected and pretty generally approved by about 40,000 young critics in the 941 schools which he visited last year and at the many educational meetings which he attended. Other superintendents did similar work and were similarly inspected, only on a smaller scale, because their counties are less populous than Allegheny. "Talk about school inspection," says one of the superintendents; "We are the people who are inspected."

Owing to his extensive commingling with the young people it is little wonder that the superintendent is a big man in the eyes of his rural constituency, and that in many counties of the state, Mercer, for instance, there are now half a dozen candidates for the job. Superintendent Hamilton was even nominated for state superintendent at a farmers institute a few days ago, but as he earns a larger salary as superintendent of the "State of Allegheny" than does the man at Harrisburg, it is not likely that he is hungering and thirsting for the change.

The System in the State.

Pennsylvania now has 143 school superintendents, exclusive of those connected with the department at Harrisburg, who are officially commissioned by the state authorities. This number does not, of course, include the vast number of borough and township principals who are really superintendents except in name. Every county must have a superintendent and every city, borough and township of the required population may have, but this is not compulsory. All of the cities and most of the big boroughs choose to elect superintendents and a few townships have done the same.

The minimum salary of county superintendents is fixed at $1,000, but there is no stipulated maximum. The school directors in any county in the state may vote its superintendent a salary equal to that of the president of the United States if they choose, but they must bear in mind the proviso in the statute that all above $2,000 must come out of their own county's state appropriation. But there is no danger of the horny-handed yeomanry of any county in Pennsylvania indulging in any wild extravagance of this sort in a hurry.

Legislature Builded Wisely.

It is significant in this connection that the legislature in its wisdom did not think it necessary to fix a maximum, but did fix a minimum for fear the salary might be made so low in some counties that capable men would not accept the position. Only one county, however, Fulton, which has only 84 schools, pays the minimum, the average in the state being about $1,800. If a superintendent for Allegheny county, including the cities, were to be chosen on the basis of Fulton county his salary would be about $35,000.

The subject of school supervision in Pennsylvania has been under discussion for three score years and ten, the biblical life of man, and is not settled yet to the perfect satisfaction of many good people. The discussion began with the adoption of the Breck-Stevens-Wolfe law of 1834, and the county superintendency feature was not added until 1854, since which time the advocates of an extensive and close system of supervision have made great progress, but are constantly twitted by the conservatives who point to the enormous cost of the system which produces, they declare, only indifferent results with a waste of a large per cent of the expenditure at that.

State's Expenditure for Schools.

Pennsylvania expended last year $24,354,888 for public schools. This seems like a princely outlay, yet the average salary paid to teachers placed the state away down in the list, there being districts where teachers received only $16 a month. This is said to be quite as much as some of them were worth, but such a condition was pronounced distinctly discreditable, as it allowed capable teachers too little and incapable ones too much. The minimum salary law of $35 a month is now in effect, and henceforth the state will rank much better as to the average salary paid.

The conservatives on the question of supervision play their best card, they think, by contrasting the low salaries paid to teachers with the liberal compensation of superintendents. The salaries of the latter throughout the state range from $1,000 to $5,000 except in one lone instance where the salary is $800. The incumbent in this instance, singularly enough, happens to be a woman.

Allegheny county has seven school superintendents whose salaries aggregate $21,000, as follows: Allegheny county outside the cities, $5,000; Pittsburgh, $5,000; Allegheny city, $5,000; Wilkinsburg, $2,400; Sewickley and Braddock, $2,100, each; Homestead, $2,000. Mifflin township formerly employed a superintendent, but the office has been abolished on account of its most populous districts becoming boroughs.

Women as School Officers.

All the superintendents in the county are said to have clear sailing for reappointment at the coming triennial election. This is said to be a well-deserved compliment to the incumbents, proof being found in the fact that the schools in city and county rank the highest in the state.

As regularly as the triennial election comes around the proposition to elect women as superintendents bobs up. They are numerous in the west but in the long list in Pennsylvania there are only two, Mattie M. Collins of Cameron county, salary, $1,500, and Louise D. Baggs, borough of Bristol, salary $800. As women have been eligible to any office under the school system since the adoption of the present state constitution over 30 years ago, this seems strange in the light of such strenuous claims for women's rights.

Some political guides and philosophers advise any party wishing to brace up its forces to take up women candidates for school positions.

Florida and Carolina Winter Resorts.
Excursion rates via Seaboard Air line. Through service to Pinehurst, Camden and Florida from Washington. R. H. Stansell, 503 Park building.

Purchases Made Now Will Be Delivered Whenever Specified—Also Will Be Held Upon a Partial Deposit.

SOLOMON'S

K. SOLOMON & COMPANY, SMITHFIELD & DIAMOND STREETS

It is our earnest suggestion that Christmas shoppers begin their buying now—and of course start it right—start here. This store is at its best—the timely improvements and remodeling during the past season make it the ideal establishment of this progressive city. Our stocks are larger, broader and better than ever before—one great bazaar of tempting merchandise for this coming glad holiday time. We are ready, and remind you that the best time to buy is now, before the final rush when purchasing must be done hastily, and the assortments will be broken into. To induce early buying we present this suggestion sheet—replete with interesting prices which point to profitable spending of your Xmas money.

This Bulletin Is One That Contains Much of Importance to the Gift Buyers

Elegant Coats Furs Choice Scarfs

The great fur markets of the world have been searched for their choicest skins, and these, made up in correct modes of the season, are here marked at prices far less than exclusive furriers can possibly quote.

Fur Scarfs at $5. Double length scarfs or medium ties, either fur or satin lined. Made of Australian sable, Eastern minks and French hare, some trimmed with natural tails; $8 values at..... $5.00

Fur Scarfs, also novelty neckwear. Flat shaped collars or long boas of foxes in Sable or Isabella shades. Finished with tails and claws. Extra values at..... $7.95

Fur Scarfs, in various shapes. Blended or natural squirrels, in the newest collar effects. Also wolves, minks and Isabella or sable foxes, with long brushes. $15 values at..... $10

Fur Scarfs of blended or natural minks and Sable or Isabella foxes. Sale Price..... $15

Fur Scarfs, in flat or boa style. Made of American foxes, Russian squirrels and blended or natural minks. Lined with fur or silk. Sale Price..... $20

Mink Pelerines at $40, $50 and $75.
Real Chinchilla Muffs, 3 or 4 stripes, $20.

Fur Coats. Nearseal or Exsala Seal Coats, evenly matched. 24-inch lengths, with newest belt sleeves. Lined with guaranteed satin. Sale Prices, $60, $50, $40, $35, $30 and..... $25

Persian Lamb Coats. Made of medium curl Persian lamb skins, evenly matched. Collar and lapels faced with Chinchilla or mink fur. Latest sleeves, 24-inch lengths, lined throughout with heavy silk. Furriers' price $100; our Sale Price is..... $65

Persian Lamb Coats of selected Persian lambskins. Leipsic dyed. Lustrous curls and newest shapes. 24 inches long. Cuffs, reveres and collars faced with baum marten. Brocaded silk linings. Furriers' price $200; our Sale Price..... $135

Persian Lamb Coats, made of lustrous Persian lambskins, evenly matched. Collar and cuffs faced with sable fur. Lined throughout with brocaded silk. $250 garments at Sale figure of..... $165

Ermine Muffs, in pillow shapes, each, $25.

A Sale of Smart Coats and Clever Suits

Our recent great purchases and immense sales in these departments have given us the unchallenged leadership in the coat and suit situation in Pittsburgh. We are selling the garments women seek—at prices which will fit these sections with seeking women.

Winter Coats at $10. 27 and 30-inch coats, of durable kerseys, in castor and black, with full sleeves and flat collars. Some trimmed with velvet. Lined with durable silk throughout. Loose or fitted backs. Also three-quarter lengths, with belts. $13.50 and $15 garments at Sale Price of..... $10

Winter Coats at $15. Made of kerseys, broadcloths and cheviots, in three-quarter or 27-inch lengths. Come in black as well as colors. Every wanted style of the season in these clever garments, which should bring $20 and $22, at Sale Price..... $15

Winter Coats at $20. Mainly three-quarter length effects of broadcloth and kerseys, in black and tans. The newest strapped backs and broad shoulders. Collarless or with collars. Best of silk linings. Suitable for evening or street wear. Special offerings at $25 and..... $20

We are making an Unequaled Showing of Velour Coats.

$18 for $30 Suits. Fine herringbone cheviots, in black, blue and browns. 30-inch length coats, with fitted backs and heavy silk linings. Trimmed with silk braids on cuffs and collars. Walking skirts, narrowly gored and high kilted. Late arrivals at the Sale Price of..... $18

$25 for $40 Suits. Strictly tailor-made suits of broadcloths and cheviots, in browns, blues and black. Long or short coats, with fitted or loose backs. Lined with silk. Fancily trimmed or plainly made. An unparalleled showing at Sale Price of..... $25

Clever Suits at $35. Made of Zibelines, imported cheviots and broadcloths, in browns, blues and black. Trimmed with velvets. Blouse or long tight fitting coats, pleated and lined with silk. Walking skirts neatly kilted. Should bring $50, extraordinary inducements at Sale Price of..... $35

$25 for Pretty Crepe de Chine Dresses, lined with silk. Value $40.

Holiday Jewelry Showing

There is nothing which lends itself so readily to acceptable gift making as jewelry, and there is no place better than our jewelry department where all the newest ideas can be found at little prices.

Comb and Brush Sets, large size; Genuine ebony comb and brush sets with French grey sterling silver mountings. Brush with fine quality bristles. Put up in silk lined boxes. Special Monday at, per set..... $1.25

Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, in floral or Florodora head designs. French grey sterling silver mountings. Silk lined cases. Attractively priced from $15 down to..... $6.98

Teaspoons. Wm. A. Rodgers' quadruple-plated nickel silver teaspoons, with fancy handles. Priced at, per set of 6..... 75c and $1.00

Tablespoons. Wm. A. Rodgers' quadruple-plated nickel silver tablespoons to match teaspoons. Monday only, per set of 6..... $1.75 and $2

Jeweled Hat Pins, in gunmetal, gold filled and sterling silver effects. Some plain, others engraved, and still others with rhinestone settings. Regular size. An unequaled showing priced from $2.50 down to..... 25c

Watch Fobs for women and misses. A large variety of prettily designed fobs, in sterling silver, solid gold and gold filled effects. Finished with silk ribbon. Prices range from $5 down to..... $1.00

Hair or Cloth Brushes; large size. French grey sterling silver hair or cloth brushes, very special at..... $2.98

Hat Brushes. Very neat effects in French grey sterling silver hat brushes—small size. Never intended to sell at such a small figure as our price of..... $1.49

Xmas Neckwear Sale

All the new and dainty ideas in neckwear, expressly designed for the holidays—can be found in our showing—the largest and most exclusive in town.

Pretty Neckwear at 49c. Our new arrivals at 49c have created quite a sensation the last few days. This gathering includes Venise lace and chiffon neckpieces, in the new Jarbeau styles. Choice of white, light blue and pink. Put up one in a box. Exceptional attractions at, each..... 49c

Beautiful Neckwear at 98c. A showing that cannot be equaled in the country. Made of taffeta silk, studded with steel and gilt beads. Trimmed with lace insertion. Exceedingly pretty conceits at Sale Price of, each..... 98c

Sample Line of Chiffon Neck Ruffs. We offer for Monday only a sample lot of chiffon neck ruffs—only one of a kind—that should actually sell up to $6 apiece. While they last Monday at, each..... 98c

Nice Gifts in Leather Goods.

Latest styles in Leather Hand-Bags from 49c to $10.

Leather Tourist or Dressing Cases from 98c to $15.

Leather Cigar Cases, in all shapes, from 98c to $5.00.

Leather Cigarette Cases, special, from 50c to $2.00.

Leather Card Cases, priced from 50c to $5.00.

Leather Collar and Cuff Boxes, from $1 to $5.00.

Leather Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, 75c to $3.

Leather Work Boxes, from $2 to $5 apiece.

Leather Music Rolls, from $4 down to 50c each.

Leather Sets, with military brushes, up to $5.

Dainty Art Goods For Gifts

Our popular art goods department comes to the front with hundreds of beautiful things most suitable for holiday presents—ranging from dainty little centerpieces to the finest of embroidered art work.

Hand-Made Renaissance Centerpieces. Very pretty and new designs in a large selection of patterns. Choice of both round or square shapes and every one priced exceedingly attractive.

18 in. size—75c each.
24 in. size—$1.25 each.

Bureau Scarfs, also sideboard scarfs to match. Some of the cleverest and most acceptable gift suggestions in our entire stock of art work.

18 by 54 in. size, $1.98.
18 by 72 in. size, $2.25.

Hand-Made Florentine Centerpieces. These are made in the round shape with linen centers and hand-Florentine work all around edges. One of the handsomest pieces brought out this season, being exceedingly novel.

20 in. size—$4.00 each.
30 in. size—$6.00 each.

Hand-Made Cluny Centerpieces. Some of the most exquisite work shown this season is to be found among these fine hand-made Cluny centerpieces which we are showing priced at figures which will prove interesting.

20 by 20 in.—$1.25 and $ 2.00.
30 by 30 in.—$6.00 and $ 7.00.
36 by 36 in.—$7.50 and $10.00.

Pretty Satin Pillows, with large cord and tassel around same. These pillows are made from the latest Oriental designs and are actually worth every cent of $2.50. Very specially priced this Monday at, each..... $1.25

Hand-Embroidered Pillows, made of the finest quality art sateen; finely embroidered by an Eastern expert. Very acceptable Xmas presents. Should bring up to $15 each. Monday only choice at..... $4.00

Christmas Ribbons & Millinery

Every wanted ribbon for making or trimming Xmas gifts is here. Also full stocks of ribbon bows, sashes, girdles, rosettes and hair ornaments—all kinds of bows made free.

New Holly Ribbons are here in every width and coming in white, light blue or pink. These are particularly attractive ribbons, priced from, per yard..... 5c to 35c

Pretty Pillow Ribbons, in the newest colorings. Striped or fancy effects. Extraordinary offerings at, per yard..... 15c and 25c

All-Silk Taffeta Ribbons, with soft, lustrous finish, 4 inches wide. A complete color assortment at the Sale Price of, per yard..... 14c

Roman Striped and Pretty Dresden Ribbons, in beautiful color combinations, 4 to 6½ inches wide. An exceedingly attractive gathering of these pretty ribbons at Sale Price of, per yard... 35c

$10 and $12 Hats Closing at $5

A beautiful lot of trimmed and tailored suit hats, every one in the very latest wanted styles. Made of the finest materials. Hats which would regularly bring $10 and $12 to be closed out tomorrow at $5.00.

$2 for $4 and $5 Trimmed Hats. These really artistic trimmed hats are to be sold for less than materials cost. They are stylishly made up in clever ideas and with all colors to select from. To be closed out tomorrow at..... $2.00

SALE OF OSTRICH PLUMES.

48c for regular $1 14-inch Fine Black Plumes.

$1.39 for $3 Ostrich Plumes, 15 inches long.

$1.50 for $4 White Ostrich Plumes, 15 to 19 inches long.

$3.50 for $5 and $6 Ostrich Plumes, shaded effect.

HATS TRIMMED FREE.

Priced Umbrellas Specially

It is often hard to solve the gift problem. A handsome umbrella may perhaps be the solution. Let us show you the fine umbrellas we are selling for little money.

Umbrellas Which Should Bring at Least $8, Here at $4.98.

It is really hard to fittingly describe this splendid gathering of umbrellas. There is a selection of hundreds of the handsomest handles than can be produced, made of shell, ivory or rich natural wood, tastefully trimmed, also gold and silver mountings. We had to buy 1,000 of these in order to get a price which enables us to sell both men's and women's umbrellas which will compete with the average $8 values at the remarkably special price of..... $4.98

$2.98 for Fine Umbrellas. Men's and women's handsome umbrellas, with silver or gold trimmed handles, in the very latest ideas. The silk covering and framework is equal to the average $5 umbrella—they are certainly splendid values at..... $2.98

$3.50 for Fine Umbrellas. A limited lot of horn, pearl, ivory or gold mounted umbrellas, made of very superior quality of the best wearing silk, with tassels and case to match. Men's or women's sizes. Actual $6 values, very special at..... $3.50

$2 for Men's Silk Umbrellas. Made over the latest improved Paragon frame, with plain natural or silver trimmed handles. A good quality silk covered umbrella, which usually sells at $4, goes on sale tomorrow at, each..... $2.00

Children's Umbrellas. Full lines of well-made umbrellas for children. These have pretty new effects in handles, and are very neatly trimmed. They make exceedingly acceptable Xmas gifts and are priced attractively at 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50

Games Toyland & Dolls

Bring in the children to see the amazing line of Joy-giving, heart-gladdening toys and dolls which makes our basement a veritable wonderland for the little folks. Easy, convenient stairway—no crowded elevators.

Elevated Train and Track—engine, tender and car with track—an elegant outfit at..... $1.25

Horizontal Steam Engine, with boilerhouse, a practical toy, at..... 75c

Magic Lanterns—always popular; we have a dandy with a fine lens at..... 95c

Hook and Ladder—large wooden wheels, three strong ladders, 4 ft. long; painted red and yellow; excellent value at..... $2.75

Skin Swing Horse—fancy leather saddle, plush trapping; genuine skin covered; worth $10.00, at..... $7.95

The Flexible Flyer Sled, the only sled with steering device; we have all sizes, starting at..... $2.50

Dolls

We have the well-known "D. P." Dressed and "Santa" Jointed Dolls—one of the finest assortments in the city, at prices which are easy on the pocketbook.

Dressed Dolls at 95c. Our 95c Dolls is a daintily dressed beauty, 15 inches high; closing eyes and sewed wig; worth easily $2.00; our price..... 95c

Fine Parisian Dressed Doll, very handsome face, moving eyes, large head; 22 inches high; worth $5.00, at..... $2.75

Jointed Dolls—celebrated "Santa" make; just awarded first prize at the Fair; beautiful head and graceful body.

18 inches high..... $ 1.85
20 inches high..... 1.65
22 inches high..... 3.25
28 inches high..... 5.25
And up to..... 25.00

A Sale of Linens & Curtains

Our third floor comes to the front with some seasonable offerings in linens, suitable for holiday gifts, as well as very special prices on fine lace curtains and draperies which will prove interesting to every housekeeper.

Bonne Femme Curtains, in white or Arabian colors. Heavily corded and finished with deep ruffle. The wanted French curtains which should bring $6, here Monday at, each..... $3.69

Fine Irish Point Lace Curtains, with plain center or in all-over effects. Also Arabian curtains, heavily corded. Closing out values up to $6 at the Sale Price of, per pair..... $3.24

Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with lace edge and insertion. Also ruffled organdy curtains, with hemstitched ruffles. Regular $2 quality at the Monday figure of, per pair..... 95c

Tapestry Portieres, in reds, greens, blues or combination effects. Finished with Persian borders or heavily fringed. Exclusive stores would ask $7, our Sale Price is, per pair..... $4.98

Fine Bleached Table Sets. Cloth 2½ yards long; also ½ dozen napkins to match. Put up in boxes. Should bring all of $4, here this Monday at, per set..... $2.48

Fine Linen Tablecloths, neatly hemstitched. 2½ yards long. Closing out actual $3.50 values at the remarkably low Sale Price of, each..... $1.98

Linen Napkins, in several pretty patterns. Neatly hemstitched napkins which are certainly undoubted values at our Sale Price of, per dozen..... $1.65

White Tablecloths, with neat red or blue borders. Cannot be duplicated elsewhere in the two cities for a cent less than $1.25, your choice here Monday at the attractive price of each..... 65c

Nottingham Lace Curtains, per pair, 85c.

Men's House Coats & Robes

A house coat or smoking jacket is something which makes a suitable present for any man, and one that is likely to be very much appreciated. When you have such splendid stock to select from as we offer, buying is easy and profitable.

Men's Smoking Jackets or House Coats

A splendid selection of well-tailored garments, made of finest worsteds, homespuns, billiard cloths, velvets or imported Matelasse. Some with fancy cuffs, collars and linings; others plain and with quilted satin linings. Priced at

$4.90, $7.50, $10, $12 and $15

Men's House Robes. Fine wool robes in Jacquard patterns, medium or light colors. All sizes in these extremely comfortable and undoubtedly useful house garments. For this Holiday season we have by far the best values ever offered in a fine robe at..... $3.75

2 Special Values in Boys' Wear

Boys' Suits, in Russian, sailor-Norfolk and double-breasted styles. Made of fancy mixtures or plain cloths, in ages 2½ to 16 years. A showing that is without equal at our special Sale figure of..... $3.90

Boys' Overcoats, in Russian or long belted styles. Made of fancy woolens and navy, royal, brown and tan materials. Neatly finished and trimmed. Ages 2½ to 16 years. Attractive gathering at..... $5.00

Special Xmas Items 3d Floor

Some of the most practical gift suggestions in our entire store are here in our third floor department of women's negligee wear and lingerie. Attractive prices always rule.

Lounging Robes and Kimonos, made of elderdown and fancy figures, Swansdowns, in pink, blue, red and grey. Bishop or kimono sleeves. Very specially priced at..... $3.48

Dressing Sacques of ripple elderdown; also flannelettes, in pretty colorings. Some with fitted linings. All sizes which sold at $1.25 to go tomorrow at..... 85c

Women's Wrappers, in greys, black-and-white and blues. Made of flannelettes, tailor finish. Finished with deep flounce and tucked yokes. For Monday only we offer $1.98 values at.. $1.50

Women's House Dresses of all-wool cashmere, in garnet, navy, black and brown. Watteau back and large bertha collar. Trimmed with satin ribbon or braid. Lined throughout. Unequaled showing at..... $4.89

Long Crepe Kimonos, all colors, $1.54.

Women's Golf Blouses, made of all-wool Zephyr yarns, in red, black-and-white and brown. High or low necks and bishop sleeves. Attractive showing at $2.98 and..... $2.50

Shawls at 98c. A large variety of wool shawls in all colors and pretty shell patterns. Finished with fringe. Special..... 98c

Fascinators of all-wool Zephyr yarns, in black, blue and white. Very special inducements, priced from $1 down to..... 25c

Cardigan Jackets, with or without sleeves. Choice offer of these black wool jackets at $1.75 and..... 98c

Petticoats of hygienic fleeced yarns. Just the wanted garments for winter wear, at.. 50c

Gowns, made of flannelettes, in blue and pink striped effects. Double yokes. Choice..... 50c

PIRATES PLANNING FOR SPRING TRIP. ATHLETIC FIELD WANTED—ALL THE SPORTING NEWS AND GOSSIP.

The Pittsburgh Gazette.

JOHN O. BAGLIN'S REVIEW OF THE STOCK MARKET—LOCAL AND TELEGRAPHIC NEWS FEATURES.

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MORE SALARY FOR OFFICIALS

President, Vice President, Cabinet and Congress Are on the List.

LIVING COST HIGHER

Hundred Thousand Proposed for Chief Executive, and $15,000 for Cabinet Officers.

MILLIONAIRES IN THE SENATE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.

Among the subjects now under informal discussion here is whether the administration ought to have a raise of wages. The proposition is to increase the remuneration of the president, the vice president, members of the cabinet and members of both branches of congress. No very definite wage schedule has been suggested but the general idea seems to be that the president should have his pay doubled, giving him $100,000 a year, the vice president should get about $20,000 instead of $8,000, members of the cabinet $15,000 instead of $8,000 and members of congress $7,500 or $10,000 instead of $5,000. This, it is believed, would be more in proportion to the cost of living, which has increased to a very large degree since the present rate of pay went into effect.

There is scarcely a senator or representative who does not honestly believe that such an advance in salaries should be made by the government, but you will not find many of them eager to discuss the subject for publication. It is not merely modesty that restrains them, but the memory of a little event that has long since passed into history, but the mere mention of which gives a congressman the shivers. It was in 1876 that congress passed a bill raising the remuneration of representatives and senators to $7,500. That was 28 years ago, but even then it was recognized that the congressman's salary was too low. However, it is now believed that the increase would not have met with any very general criticism had not the fatal mistake been committed of making the bill retroactive. It was passed in the closing days of congress and the increase was made to apply to all the members who had served in that congress. The result was that a cry of "salary grab" went up all over the country, and at the next election the Republicans lost the house and a Democratic majority was returned, notwithstanding that the Democrats had voted with the Republicans for the new salary bill. At the following session of congress the bill was repealed and from that time to this the discussion of increased remuneration for congressmen has confined principally to the cloakrooms. Statesmen have not cared to run the gauntlet of public criticism by bringing it to the floor of the house.

President Saves No Money.

President Roosevelt has told some of his friends that it takes every cent of his salary of $50,000 a year to keep up the expenses of the White House. This, in the face of the fact that the government pays for light and fuel and also provides many of the large corps of servants. It even pays the salary of Mrs. Roosevelt's social secretary, who is carried on the rolls of the war department as a clerk and is assigned to her duties at the White House. In a previous article on this subject I quoted one small item of expense in the president's family that, while insignificant in itself, gave a good idea of the bills that the president is called upon to meet out of his private purse. One month the White House milk bill was $87. Estimating the other food items on this basis it will readily be seen that the larder is a costly one to keep filled, the president always has to be prepared for company.

But few men have left the presidency with a balance saved out of their salaries. Years ago when the pay of the chief executive was raised from $25,000 to $50,000 a year, the latter sum was looked upon as a very adequate rate of remuneration. But times have changed and the country and the people have grown richer. The man with the $50,000 salary is no longer a novelty. He has grown quite common. The publication of an accurate statement of the actual expenses of the president for one year would be a very convincing argument in favor of raising the president's salary to $100,000.

It is only with the most rigid economy, comparatively, that a cabinet member can live on the $8,000 a year that he draws from the government. In doing so he is almost obliged to shirk some of the social responsibilities that custom has imposed upon the official family of the president. The government pays for his carriage and team and it also supplies a coachman. That is one item that the cabinet member can strike off his list of expenses and it is a very important one. Were it not for this liberality on the part of Uncle Sam it would be still more impossible for a poor man to accept a cabinet portfolio. As it is, there are a number of cases on record where men have resigned from the cabinet and have made no attempt to conceal the fact that they were driven to do so because they could not afford to hold their places on the salary that the government pays. A story is told of James S. Clarkson, who was appointed first assistant postmaster general, with the salary of $4,500. He and Mrs. Clarkson went house hunting and finally found one that suited them at an annual rental of $4,300.

"Well, my dear, that leaves just $200 of my salary," said Mr. Clarkson, "what shall we do with the balance?"

"Oh, we will have a telephone put in," replied Mrs. Clarkson, and thus the remainder of the salary was disposed of.

All Senators Not Millionaires.

The United States senate is often spoken of as "The Millionaires club" and there is no gainsaying that on its roster can be found the names of some of the wealthiest men in the country. But this frivolous term gives a wrong impression to the public, for there are considerably more poor men in the senate than rich ones. I asked a man who has been about the capitol for years to go over the list and sort them out according to popular belief. He did so and named 27 senators who are entitled to active membership in the "Millionaire club." They are all rated at more than a million each and a fair average would probably be about four or five millions.

In the next class he placed 20 who are men of moderate wealth. They are rated at anywhere from $100,000 up to near the million mark—men who make no pretensions of affluence, but who have business interests or other investments sufficient to relieve them of anxiety as to the size of the salary that the government pays them. That left 23 senators who are poor men or who have very small incomes besides their salaries. In this class are several able statesmen who are known to have nothing of the world's goods but the $416 a month they get from the disbursing officer and what they can save out of their mileage and the $125 a year allowed them for stationary. The richest man in the senate is Mr. Clark of Montana, the copper king, who is rated anywhere from $100,000,000 to $200,000,000. Probably next to him would come the new senator from Massachusetts, W. Murray Crane, who is supposed to be worth at least $20,000,000. Mr. Crane succeeds the late Senator Hoar, who a year ago publicly stated that after a career of nearly half a century in congress, his private income, aside from his salary as senator, was not over $1,800 a year.

Senator Hoar, by the way, was one of the most earnest champions of an advanced wage scale for senators and representatives, as well as for other high officers of the government. As chairman of the committee on judiciary, he was responsible for the passage of the bill that advanced the salaries of the supreme court justices from $10,000 to $12,500 per annum. In the last congress Senator Stewart of Nevada introduced a bill increasing the pay of senators and representatives, but it was not reported out of committee. Senators are not so "scary" on this subect as are members of the house, because they are not elected directly by the people and come up for election only once in six years, while representatives are obliged to go back to their constituents every two years. But even so, the wily senators prefer to let the representatives take the initiative in the advancement of salaries, and also the responsibility.

The office of president pro tempore of the senate carries with it the salary of $8,000, the same as the vice president and speaker of the house receive. This place is usually given to some senator of recognized ability, but who is not blessed with much of the world's goods. To him the extra $3,000 is a welcome blessing.

In view of the talk of rigid economy that is heard now at the very beginning of the last session of this congress, there seems little likelihood that anything will be done with the official wage schedule at this time. It is estimated that such action would increase the government's expenses about $2,500,000 annually, and this is more than Speaker Cannon would stand. The speaker, it is known, favors an advance and believes that it is only justice that congress voted it, but it is probably that he would advise letting the situation alone at present.

L. W. STRAYER.

SCENE IN JUDGE C. F. M'KENNA'S COURT ROOM IN SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.

There are some striking object lessons in the accompanying picture made from the first photograph of Uncle Sam's court in Porto Rico. On the bench sits Judge Charles F. McKenna. The picture was sent during the last week to Dr. C. C. Wiley, who is a close personal friend of Judge McKenna.

The scene is described by Judge McKenna as typical of his courtroom in San Juan. In front of the bench sit the officers and employes of the court, attorneys, stenographers, and behind the rail on the right are the 12 jurors. Although the photograph was made late in November, the presence of negligee shirts and straw hats indicates that the weather was still quite warm. The law books on the table are new—recent importations from the United States.

In appearance and intelligence, the members of the jury rank far above the average called to that important duty in Allegheny county, and must have been a revelation to Judge McKenna after those he had so often pleaded before at home. This difference in the character of jurors is easily accounted for. In Allegheny county, business and professional men are adverse to spending their time in anything which calls for the neglect of their regular avocation, while in the tropical country the best class of men have more leisure and are willing to serve as jurors.

VALANCAY TO OBTAIN MAGNIFICENT ESTATE

Helen Morton's Former Husband to Profit Splendidly by New Marital Alliance.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 3.—The divorce of Helen Morton and the Duc de Valancay is to have an epilogue. I have already told you that the duke intends to marry again shortly, thereby disregarding the regulations of his religion, which forbid him to form new matrimonial ties before the severing of the old ones has received the sanction of the vatican. His bride, as you know, will be the rich daughter of Count Kanitz, deputy marshal of the court of Emperor William.

I now learn that the young countess, in the event of her marriage with the Duke de Valencay, will obtain for him the titles and magnificent estates appertaining to the duchy of Sagan. As she is a Protestant, she does not concern herself with the formalities of the Catholic church, and is quite ready to marry the duke at any time.

By obtaining for him the duchy of Sagan, she fulfills the ambitious dream of her future mother-in-law, the Duchesse de Talleyrand, by depriving Prince Helg, the duchess' eldest son, whom she has refused to see for the last 30 years, of the estates which rightly belong to him. Parisian society is watching with the greatest interest this family drama in which feminine intrigue and court influence are so mingled.

Will Introduce Vegetable in France.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—(Copyright Cable.)—President Loubet was presented at the chrysanthemum show this week with samples of pe-tsai, a Chinese vegetable, highly appreciated by the Chinese court. He said he would officially introduce it in France, as Louis XVI. did potatoes, by a special pe-tsai patch in the Elysee garden.

WILL TELL OF OUTCOME OF RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR

Famous Lecturer Coming to Address the Columbian Council of Jewish Women.

The probable outcome of the Russo-Japanese war and its ultimate results upon the civilization and commerce of the orient as it is viewed by a celebrated Japanese educator will be told Pittsburghers next Thursday night, when Tayokichi Iyanata, Ph. D., lectures in the Eighth street temple on the momentous question, "The Russo-Japanese War—And After." Dr. Iyanata comes to Pittsburgh under the auspices of the Columbian council of Jewish women and his address will be the second of the series of lectures which will be given by the council during the winter.

Dr. Iyanata is a native of Japan and recently has traveled through the interior provinces on a mission from his government. He is familiar with the scenes of action in Manchuria and knows the men who are carrying the triumphant banner of the rising sun into the desolate country of Siberia. He will tell of the prowess of their ancestors and will reveal new details of the first year's campaign which is now terminating before the walls of Mukden and Port Arthur. The facts which he will tell will be especially interesting in looking forward to the re-opening of hostilities next spring.

Dr. Iyanata was educated in America and speaks English fluently. He will arrive here on Wednesday morning from Chicago and will spend several days in the city. He will be introduced at the meeting by Mrs. Enoch Rauh, president of Columbian council.

New Train to Erie and Buffalo

Leaving Pittsburgh & Lake Erie station 1:35 p. m., city time; through parlor car due Erie 5:14 p. m.; arrive Buffalo 7:25 p. m., central time. Dinner in Lake Shore dining car.

IT IS UP TO STOESSEL TO QUIT HIS FOOLING

Exhausting Reportorial Patience by Declining to Evacuate Port Arthur at Any Cost.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—No self-respecting besieged fortress would so pertinaciously persist in belying the predictions of the war correspondents as does Port Arthur. In the face of innumerable and most confident predictions of date and hour of fall, no well-meaning person can hold else than contempt for Gen. Stoessel's pigheadedness in holding its own and Port Arthur's long beyond the limit where, according to the rules of the game as drawn up by the journalists, he was either completely beaten or his last man killed, or the last rat in Port Arthur dished up to his emaciated troops. It is high time that the correspondents took decisive action and marked their indignant disapproval of the man Stoessel by ruling him out henceforth, closing their notebooks, sheathing their fountain pens and departing north to observe Kuropatkin—leaving word for the Japanese around the discredited fortress to strike camp and follow.

Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thompson, of Lillydale, N.Y., Grand Worthy Wise Templar, and Member of W.C.T.U., tells how she recovered by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am one of the many of your grateful friends who have been cured through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and who can to-day thank you for the fine health I enjoy. When I was thirty-five years old, I suffered severe backache and frequent bearing-down pains; in fact, I had womb trouble. I was very anxious to get well, and reading of the cures your Compound had made, I decided to try it. I took only six bottles, but it built me up and cured me entirely of my troubles.

"My family and relatives were naturally as gratified as I was. My niece had heart trouble and nervous prostration, and was considered incurable. She took your Vegetable Compound and it cured her in a short time, and she became well and strong, and her home to her great joy and her husband's delight was blessed with a baby. I know of a number of others who have been cured of different kinds of female trouble, and am satisfied that your Compound is the best medicine for sick women."—MRS. ELIZABETH H. THOMPSON, Box 105, Lillydale, N.Y.—*$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

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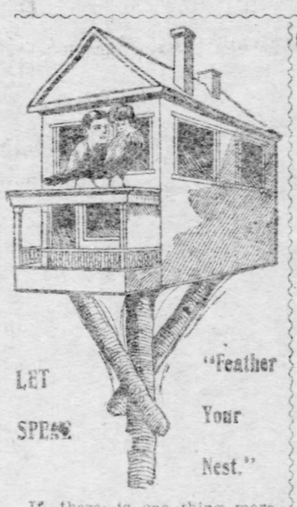

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If there is one thing more than another that this store has pride in, it is its relationship with the Marriage License Court.

Not that we are even in the slightest way a part of the legal machinery of the court, but our association is none the less understood. For just as surely as a couple seeks a marriage license, just as surely will that couple come to Spear for house furnishings—sooner or later.

Spear Sells It for Less—That's why.

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You Can Buy This Steel Range for Only 7 Cents a Day.

Worth $24, but Spear's price is only..... $18

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We are elevating and dignifying credit purchases, and eventually you will think of Spear's alone when you think of furniture and household necessities.

This Beautiful Dressing Table $7.98

Terms, Dollar First Payment and 50c a Week.

The most sensational value the furniture trade has ever known—made of birdseye maple, golden oak or mahogany—exquisitely finished, and we cannot too strongly emphasize the fact that this is a bargain the like of which no firm has ever before offered. Sold by us at $7.98, but actually worth $12 to $15.

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Such an Article Is Especially Desirable for Gift Purposes.

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Spear will sell you this one for only 7 CENTS A DAY.

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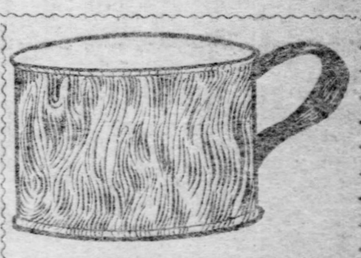

THIS GRANITE CUP (Worth 25c) 5c

Will be on sale Monday for 5 cents, but is worth 25 cents, and, of course, the lot will hardly last longer than one day at our price. The cup is enameled snow white inside and blue and white outside.

Better come early if you want one. Holds one quart. Will withstand the most intense heat.

It's just another of those bargains which forever link Spear's name with the unusual in merchandising.

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We have a small number of each of the following:

8-Quart Pudding Pans, 10c (worth 40c).

Graniteware Buckets, 40c (worth $1.25).

Dishpans, 35c (worth $1.10).

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Spear sells the best Morris Chairs in town. Prices from $5.50 UP

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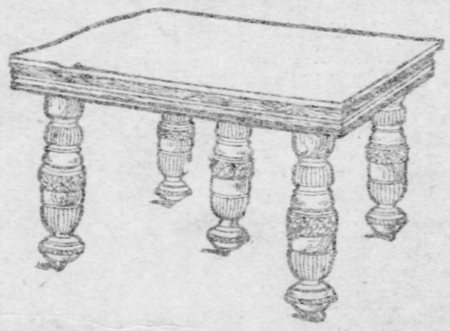

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Worth $16. Nobody should be without a good Dining Table when Spear & Co. sells such a beauty as this on the terms of ONE DOLLAR FIRST PAYMENT AND 50c A WEEK.

CARPETS ARE CHEAP NOW

Ingrain Carpets in a great variety of patterns, worth 60c a yard; Spear's price	35c
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Velvet Carpets, patterns include many new conceits rich in design, worth $1.15; Spear's price	70c
Axminster Carpets, worth $1.25 a yard, swell enough for anybody; Spear's price	90c
Wilton Velvet Carpets, best in the country, worth $1.75 a yard; Spear's price	$1.25

SPEAR SELLS ROOM RUGS FOR LESS

Brussels Rugs, room size, durable and pretty; Spear's price	$11
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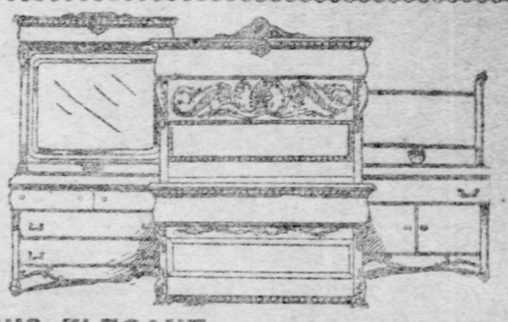

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LIVELY DOINGS IN THE FINAL FOOTBALL CONTESTS

SYCAMORES LAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Browns Beaten in Hard Game, 11 to 0—Black's Playing the Feature.

SCORED GOAL IN EACH HALF

The Sycamores won the lightweight football championship for this section yesterday afternoon by beating the Brown A. C. of Woods Run at Exposition park 11 to 0. Both sides were strong on the offense, but weak on the defense.

In the first half the Browns twice lost the ball within 15 yards of the Sycamores' goal line, once by a fumble and again through downs. The Sycamores, after getting the ball on a fumble, carried it down the field, Black going around Conner's end for a touchdown. McKelvy kicked goal.

Martin took the ball over the line early in the second half for the second touchdown.

The features of the game were the line bucking of Black, the Sycamore "Heston," and Martin, Jenkinson's defensive work and Lane J. Hargest and B. Hargest's offensive work.

Manager Loughren and Coach Lautenslager of the Sycamores have expressed themselves as well pleased with the season, as the Sycamores have scored a total of 287 points to their opponents' 0. Next year the Sycamores are going after the best teams in this locality and they feel confident that they will be able to hold their own. Line-up:

Sycamore—11.		Brown—0.
Eberhart	L. E.	Connors
Ross	L. T.	McCombe
Bentel	L. G.	Wittmer
Denver	C.	Hannahan
Boyle	R. G.	Flinn
Martin	R. T.	Lane
McKelvy	R. E.	Davis
Feeney	Q. B.	Neylon
Black	L. H.	O'Neil
Killen	R. H.	B. Hargest
Jenkinson	F. B.	J. Hargest

Referee—Moore of W. U. P. Umpire—McKean of W. U. P. Touchdowns—Black and Martin. Goal—McKelvy. Substitutions—Burry for Ree, Daniels for Neylon, Williams for B. Hargest. Timekeepers—Nowell and Seitz. Head linesman—Zeig of W. U. P. Time of halves—30 and 15 minutes.

QUAKERS WIN GAME.

Central High School Beats Dewitt Clinton 11 to 0 at New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—By a score of 11 to 0 the Central High school football team of Philadelphia defeated Dewitt Clinton High school eleven of this city this afternoon.

The local lads were somewhat outclassed. The Quakers had a strong set of backs and a line that attended strictly to business all the time. The quarterback, Wickham, handled his team in capital shape. He gave plenty of work to Weitzel, his captain, whom he put into nearly every play. Eberle also took his share of the line plunging, but Weitzel was the star. The lineup:

Central H. S.—11.		DeWitt H. S.—0.
Ginsbury		
Dougherty	L. E.	Lynch
Sommer-Aarons	L. T.	Jackson
Rose	L. G.	London
Pelzer	C.	Whittemore-Aarons
Toefe	R. G.	Aranow-Robinson
Schnapper	L. G.	Trask
Broadbelt	R. E.	Telfar
Wickham	Q. B.	Stanton-DeYoung
Eberle	L. H.	Reynolds
Kenneth-Ballou	R. H.	Fitzpatrick
Weitzel	F. B.	Wiley

Touchdown—W. Edwards, Princeton. Referee—Stephenson, McHave, Pennsylvania. Head linesman—W. M. Morley, Columbia. Linesmen—Tom Thorp, Columbia. Time—30 minute halves.

Touchdowns—Weitzel 2. Goal from touchdown—Weitzel.

Manhattan 30—Rambler 10.

The Manhattan team last night defeated the Ramblers of the Raleigh league in a very interesting game. The Tom Thumbs won from the Fayettes, 10 to 10. Lineup for both games:

Manhattan—30.		Ramblers—10.
Myers	R. E.	Stehle
Harrington	L. T.	Ott
Sayers	C.	Gittens
Dunn	R. G.	Thompson
Gray	L. G.	Bennington

Field goals—Myers 7, Sayers 4, Dunn 1, Gray, Stehle, Ott 2, Gittens. Foul goals—Myers 2, Gittens 2. Timer—Vierheller. Scorer—Vierheller. Referee—King.

Fayette—15.		Fayette—10.
Gaughenbaugh-Wendel	L. E.	Joyce
Hall	L. T.	McNulty
Kane	R. G.	Wyland
Lee	C.	Dunn
Johnson	L. G.	Rankin
Schoen-Lonigan, Duncan	R. T.	Schoen
Schoen-Lonigan, Wyland 2, Duke	R. E.	Kane
Schaffer-Rogers, Smyers	Q. B.	Tiner

Field goals—Lonigan, Duncan 3, Rankin 3, Schoen, Wyland 2, Duke. Foul goals—Schaffer-Rogers, Smyers. Timer—Vierheller. Referee—King.

Fayette Wins at New Kensington.

Capt. Fred Brasser's team of Fayette passers journeyed to New Kensington last night and defeated the latter team 13 to 12. The Fayettes received the reception which they went on the field. Before the game by passing a football around the field, down following with a touchdown. During the game the footers made a sensational shot from center of the field. The score see-sawed all the end of the half and then stood 8 to 8. Lineup:

Fayette—13.		New Kensington—12.
Bittner	R. E.	Duffy
A. Strasser	L. F.	Thompson
Hunt		Wagner
J. Strasser	C.	Dunlap
Diemer	G.	Kessel

Goals—Bittner 2, Hunt 2, Diemer, Dunlap 3, Thompson 2, Wagner. Fouls—Diemer 3. Substitutions—Miller for Strasser, Hilliard for Bittner Cornelius for Huff. Referee—Chaswick. Time—Twenty-minute halves.

Athletics Finish Their Season.

The last game of the Wilkinsburg Athletics was played yesterday on the Braddock avenue grounds in Wilkinsburg for the 75-pound championship. The Athletics defeated the Alma Tigers 11 to 0. Line-up:

Wilkinsburg—11.		Alma Tigers—0.
Wright	L. E.	Thompson
Oxnard	L. T.	Forste
Brought	L. G.	Kirk
Baker	C.	Gardner
Diamond	R. G.	Thorn
A. Brought	R. T.	O'Leary
Bunker	R. E.	E. Smith
Corbett	R. H.	Ziegler
Dipple	Q. B.	Kerney
Hartman	L. H.	J. Smith
Asinger	F. B.	Scott

Touchdowns—Hartman 2. Goal from touchdown—Hartman. Umpire—Shaffer. Referee—McKeenzie.

Both Foster Teams Ahead.

Last evening the Foster first five defeated the Pequot five 34 to 16, and the second Foster five defeated the South Side Reserves by 37 to 21. Lineup:

Foster—34.		Pequot—16.
Meeser	R. F.	M. Clayton
Meiers	L. F.	Deane
Kling	C.	N. Clayton
Manling	R. G.	Johnson
McGee	L. G.	Penrose

Goals—Meisner 4, Meiers 3, Ketley 5, Manling 2, McGee 2, M. Clayton 3, Drane 2, Johnson 2, Penrose. Foul goals—Meisner 2. Umpire—Anderson. Time—Twenty-minute halves.

Foster Junior—37.		South Side Res.—21.
George	R. F.	Gross
Cunningan	L. F.	Merkel
Medley	C.	Stanlinger
Beers	R. G.	Smith
Brieland	L. G.	Bittner

Goals—George 4, Garrigan 5, Freeland 5, Jones, Herbert 2, Standinger 3, Smith. Foul goals—Garrigan 2, Gross 3. Umpire—Anderson. Time—Twenty and 15-minute halves.

St. Lukes Have It Easy.

The St. Lukes defeated the Second Ward Hose Company of Carnegie last night 37 to 0. Lineup:

St. Lukes—37		Hose Company—0
Lynn	R. F.	Bittner
Mayo	L. F.	Silk
Nixon	C.	Archer
Belchake	R. G.	McManus
Nelson	L. G.	Reed

Field goals—Flynn 5, Maran 6, Nixon 2, Brubner 3, S. E. Feeley 2, Silk 2, Arahart, Wolf—Nixon. Substitutions—T. Feeley for Nixon, S. Fleher for Nelson.

The St. Luke Juniors defeated the Manchester Juniors 25 to 10.

G. M. P. Wins in Church League.

The Grace Methodist Protestant team of the Sharpsburg church league defeated the Methodist Episcopal five 28 to 19 last night at the Sharpsburg Y. M. C. A. Score:

Methodist Epis.—28.		Methodist Epis.—19.
B. Thompson	L. F.	Yahras
Brindley	R. F.	Plasdell
Zumpf	L. G.	Cunningham
Sandles	R. G.	Seibel

Field goals—Brindley 2, Thompson 4, Tracy 4, Weyland, Foul goals—Thompson 6, Tracy 2, Yahras 2. Substitutions—B. Brindley for Sanders, Williams for Seibel, Holcroft for Tracy. Umpire—H. Wolfe.

PITTSBURGH HOCKEY TEAM ANNOUNCED FOR SEASON

Captain Spittal Will Arrive Today and Take Charge of Players for Opening Games.

The first big international league hockey game of the season will be played at Duquesne garden next Friday night. The attraction will be Portage Lakes of Houghton, last season's United States champions, and the new Pittsburgh seven.

Local hockey patrons have a treat in store for them in the line-up of the new Pittsburgh seven. The line-up as announced by A. S. McSwigan, manager of Duquesne garden, is as follows:

Mackay, goal; Duval, cover point; Spittal, point; Eddie Roberts, forward; Leon Campbell, center; Haddo Black, right wing, and Forrester, left wing, with Tom Melville as sub. Spittal will captain the team.

In the above line-up appear the names of players who by their playing in Pittsburgh last season have won the highest notch in hockey fame. It will not be necessary to mention the playing ability of such men as Spittal, Duval, Roberts, Campbell, Mackay and Melliville, who are known by all local followers of the game. Roberts and Campbell were rivals on different teams here last season and lead the league in goal shooting. No more popular players than Duval and Spittal ever appeared on the ice at Duquesne garden.

Black has been playing senior hockey for the past three years. Last season he played on the team in Guelph, Ont., one of the best sevens in the O. H. A. The season before last he played with the Victorias of Winnipeg.

Capt. Spittal and Eddie Roberts arrived in Pittsburgh from Ottawa yesterday. Campbell is due here tomorrow morning. Black will get in this morning. The other players, Mackay, Duval and Melville, have been in town for several weeks. The team will begin practice at the garden tomorrow and will practice from one to two hours daily from then until Friday.

The Portage Lakes are practically the same as last season. The only changes made are at cover point and left wing. Barney Holden will play cover point, taking the place of Hod Stuart, who this year is manager of the new Calumet seven team. Fred Lake, formerly with the American Soo, is the other new man, supplanting Westcott at left wing. The other players on the champions from the west are well known in Pittsburgh, having appeared here last winter on the Portage Lake team and most of them were at one time members of Pittsburgh sevens.

Riley Hern, goal; Doc Gibson, point; Bruce Stuart, center; Bert Morrison, forward, and Bill Shields, right wing, are favorites in Pittsburgh.

The Portage Lake seven will leave for Pittsburgh Tuesday evening and should reach here Thursday night.

Bruce Stuart, the former Keystone player and one of the fastest forwards playing hockey, will captain the Portage Lakes. Doc Gibson is the manager. Ernie Westcott is still on the team and will be used as sub. Portage Lake will play here Friday, Saturday and Monday, December 9, 10 and 12.

The opening series at the garden is a good one and every indication points to record-breaking crowds. After the games with Houghton the Pittsburgh team will leave for the west, playing at Calumet, Houghton, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and Sault Ste. Marie, Canada. Roy Schooley will referee the games here. The games will start promptly at 8:30. Thirty-minute halves will be played.

The next interscholastic game will be played Saturday afternoon.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Braddock, Roscoe and East Pittsburgh Teams Win Their Games.

The Braddock and McDonald teams met yesterday in a league game at Edgar Thomson park, before a large crowd of spectators. Braddock won, 2 to 1. Both goals for Braddock were kicked by Gatenby and were penalties. Lineup:

Braddock—2.		McDonald—1.
J. Chambers	Goal	Gardner
T. Chambers	Fullback	McGaul
Gatenby	Fullback	J. Cooke
O'Brien	Halfback	McCafferty
Mitchell	Halfback	Hart
H. Haley	Halfback	Smith
Wanless	Forward	H. Cook
Harper	Forward	Sweeney
Talent	Forward	Putt
Hutchinson	Forward	Holmes
Fitzsimmons	Forward	R. Cook

Referee—Woolcroft. Umpire—East Liverpool. Linesmen—Proudfoot and Smith. Halfs—Forty-five minutes each. Goals—Gatenby 2, Smith.

MORGAN, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—At Morgan yesterday the East Pittsburgh Association league team, 11 a league game, defeated the Morgan team 4 to 2.

ROSCOE, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The association football game between Roscoe and East Liverpool was played in a drizzling rain. In the second half both teams warmed up and the excellent work of Roscoe's forwards won the game, two goals being made in quick succession. Lineup:

Roscoe—2.		East Liverpool—0.
A. Vick	Goal	A. Townley
D. Ferguson	Fullback	Bowers
G. Applegate	Fullback	Hall
W. Fish	Halfback	Tucker
R. Applegate	Halfback	Tiffany
G. Yates	Halfback	Brown
J. Brown	Fullback	G. Townley
J. Fitch	Fullback	Barker
J. Wentz	Forward	Stevenson
H. Parish	Forward	Harris
F. Fechter	Forward	Davis

Referee—Lafferty. Linesmen—Willson and Hodgskiss. Time—Forty-five minute halves.

LUCY YOUNG WON STAKE.

Made Show of Field in Stake Event on New Orleans Track.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 3.—The eastern contingent took four out of six races today. M. L. Rayman furnishing two winners and J. C. McCafferty & Co. two. The feature of the card was the New St. Charles hotel stake, for 2-year-olds at five furlongs, worth $1,540 to the winner. Seventeen youngsters went to the post, the largest field seen here in years. Lucy Young made a show of her field, rushing to the front at the start, leading all the way and winning easily by two lengths. Scorpio's entry will be refused in the future on account of bad behavior at the post. Weather clear, track heavy.

First race, 6 furlongs—Astarita, 112, H. Phillips, 7 to 10, won; Mizzen, 115, Nicol, 4 to 1, second; Floral Wreath, 112, Aubuchon, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:19 1-5.

Second race, 2-year-old fillies, 5 furlongs—Brush Up, 102½, J. Martin, 8 to 5, won; Jubeque, 109, A. Brennan, 30 to 1, second; Halcyon Days, 104½, Munro, 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:05 1-5.

Third race, mile—Garnish, 102, J. Martin, 15 to 1, won; Plautus 99, R. Johnson, 20 to 1 second; Forehand, 102, Nicol, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:40.

Fourth race, new St. Charles Hotel stake, 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs—Lucy Young, 103, Crimmins, 4 to 1, won; Saladin, 112, J. Martin, 6 to 1, second; Yorkshire Lad, 106, Nichol, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:02 2-5.

Fifth race, handicap, 1¼ miles—Spencerian, 112, Shaver, 8 to 5, won; Rankin, 102, Nicol, 2 to 1, second; Laura Lighter, 95½, Sills, 10 to 5, third. Time, 2:02 1-5.

Sixth race, selling, 1¼ miles—Little Elkin, 104, Schilling, 7 to 10, won; Brooklyn, 102½, J. Martin, 4 to 1, second; Burke Cockran, 104, J. Conroy, 8 to 1, third. Time, 2:21.

YALE GUNNERS LOSE.

Crescent A. C. of Brooklyn Won Match by 22 Points.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The Crescent A. C. gun team from Brooklyn won over the Yale gun club this afternoon in their first meeting here, 258 to 236. The score of the first round was a tie. The scores:

YALE.		CRESCENT A. C.
Sturgis	26	Bingham 43
Thompson	43	Scott 41
Alden	21	Reimsen 35
Gosnell	43	Bennett 39
Borden	36	Stephenson 38
Pushsley	34	Southworth 34
King	34	Ryves 37
Kinson	39	Palmer 31
Total	276	Total 298

Lake Yachtsmen Meet and Dine.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 3.—This city was a Mecca for freshwater yachtsmen today. More than 100 enthusiastic sailors representing all the yachting associations of the great lakes came to Detroit to attend the annual meetings of the Interlake Yachting association and Inland racing union. Business sessions were held during the day and tonight at the Russell house both organizations participated in a banquet.

Good Prices for Yearlings.

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 3.—The last day of the Fasig-Tipton thoroughbred sale was devoted to sundry consignments of yearlings. Seventy-seven head averaged $184. The best sale of the day was a chestnut colt by Imp. De Reszke, dam Thunder Cloud, to Thomas Welsh of New York for $900.

THE CHAMPION OIL CITY ELEVEN

Back row.—Stout, Wasser, Kern, Lowes Eckert, Mount, Duil, Downs Thomas. Middle row.—Byers, Ken, Spencer, Walker (captain); Hill, Gent. Front row.—Porterfield.

Oil City claims the championship of the United States. It beat the Franklin eleven, which won the title last year, two in four games and tied one. Meade Porterfield, who played an end, is former Kiski halfback and captain, as is also Spencer.

HILLSIDE TIGERS WIN GAME FROM BRUSHTON MOHAWKS

Three Touchdowns, Goal and Safety Are Made Against East End Eleven.

The Hillside Tigers beat the Brushton Mohawks yesterday afternoon at Friendship park for the lightweight championship of Pittsburgh, 18 to 0. The Tigers made three touchdowns, kicked one goal and threw the Mohawks back for a safety. The Tigers' goal was in danger but once.

Although beaten the Brushton eleven put up a strong resistance. Raessler's line bucking was a feature. He waded through for 30 and 50-yard gains. The line-up:

Mohawks—0.		Hillsides—18
Verner	L. E.	Remmick
Collins	L. T.	Randall
Bacon	L. G.	F. Busch
Bighley	C.	Leech
McFarland		
Henderson	R. E.	Grace
Ritchey-Ferguson	R. T.	Klein
Liedner-Adams	R. G.	M. Jones
Gibson	Q. B.	F. Bosco
Craley	L. H.	Klemtz
J. Jefferson	R. H.	Neubrand
Hisson	F. B.	Raessler

Touchdowns—Raessler 2, Klemtz. Goals—Neubrand. Safety—Hillsides. Referee—Nip. Umpire—Battles. Time of halves—25 and 20 minutes. Linesmen—Sands and Cohn. Timers—Leech and Davis.

CRAFTON WINS GAME AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Crafton defeated Ingram on the home grounds yesterday 6 to 0. A 35-yard run by Wilhelm on a quarterback kick resulted in the only touchdown. Jennings kicked goal. This game decided the championship of the Chartiers valley. The line-up:

Crafton—6.		Ingram—0.
Dunn	L. E.	J. Garver
Tipton	L. T.	Thomas
Harkins	L. G.	Klingman
Campbell	C.	Kirk
Shorr-Poore	R. G.	A. Garver
Salis	R. T.	Ferguson
Wilhelm	R. E.	B. Ross
Jennings	Q. B.	C. Ross
Bessler	D. H.	Naughton
Butler	R. H.	Irwin
Sherman	F. B.	Morris

Referee—Parker. Umpire—McMahon. Timekeepers—McVickers and Cunningham. Linesmen—Irwin and Roberts. Touchdowns—Wilhelm. Goal—Jennings.

State Freshmen Win Game.

STATE COLLEGE, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—With an inch of snow and ice on Beaver field, the annual sophomore-freshmen game today proved a fiercely-fought battle. The sophs had been looked upon as sure winners, but the 1908 eleven developed unexpected strength and made the only score of the first half. The line-up:

Sophomores—0.		Freshmen—5.
Engle	L. E.	Leathers
Kunkle	L. T.	Richie
McWilliams	L. G.	Bowdine
Shoemaker	C.	Dunn
Woodward	R. G.	Van Horn
Wray (capt.)	R. T.	Zink
McCombs-Monte	R. E.	Burns
Timmons	Q. B.	Hohnhart (capt.)
Henry	L. H.	Lilly
Melver	R. H.	Hargest
Partridge	F. B.	Krider

Referee—Dr. Robinson. Umpire—Dr. F. Robinson. Touchdowns—Hargest. Linesmen—Burr and Offutt. Timers—Fawkes and Smith. Halves—20 minutes.

Marquettes Again Victorious.

The Marquette first team defeated the Wilmerding five in a well contested game last night, although handicapped by the absence of Gibney. Lineup:

Marquettes—10.		Wilmerding—13.
Welsh	Forward	M. Donaldson
Gallagher	Forward	J. Rupprecht
Brady	Center	McClintich
Doyle	Guard	Shimfelt
Archer	Guard	A. Donaldson

Goals—Welsh 3, Brady 2. Fouls 5. Archer 3, W. Donaldson 2. Fouls 3, Rupprecht 3.

The Marquette Juniors defeated the McKees Rocks team 15 to 3. Lineup:

Marquette Jrs.—15		McKees Rocks—3.
O'Toole	Forward	Shannon
Hock	Forward	Burkhart
McGovern	Center	Bankerd
Kennedy	Guard	Buckley
Thomas	Guard	Clouse

Goals—O'Toole 2, Hock, McGovern 4. Foul goals—O'Tocle, Shannon. Referee—Lewellen.

Braddock High School Wins.

The Braddock High school five defeated the Homestead High school five 23 to 9 at Braddock last night. Line-up:

Homestead—9.		Braddock—23.
Hoffman	Forward	James
Kelly	Forward	Shelby
McArthur	Center	Dercoski
Furr	Guard	McCully
Kistler	Guard	Panker

Goals from field—James 5, McCully 2, Shelby 2, Panker, Kelly 3. Goals from foul—James 7, Hoffman.

Basketball Captains Elected.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—With the opening of the basketball season at Washington and Jefferson college the juniors have elected Allen Dunn of Washington captain, and Harry Fulton of this place has been chosen captain of the freshman team. Robert Fulton has been named as leader of the second-year team at W. and J. And John C. Ely as leader of the fourth-year team. The other teams have not selected captains.

Friendship Loses by Nose.

The Perrysville first team last night defeated the Friendship five 16 to 14. Line-up:

Perrysville—16.		Friendship—14.
Collins	Forward	Hardmayer
Johnston	Forward	Jenkinson
Nichols, A. Collins	Center	Henderson
Frazier, Parks	Guard	Irwin, McKee
Elton	Guard	Schmidt

Field goals—Johnston 2, Collins, Jenkinson 2, Henderson 3, Schmidt. Foul goals—W. Collins 8, Schmidt 2. Referee Yeager. Scorer—Tharp.

East Liberty Is Outclassed.

The Young Americans defeated the East Liberty team last night at Homestead 48 to 4. Line-up:

Young Americans—48.		East Liberty—4.
Ralston	Forward	Tubaugh
Adams	Forward	T. Stevens
Monree	Center	Orr
Crawford	Guard	Kulleck
Murray	Guard	H. Stevens

Substitutions—Hager for Murray. Goals from field—Ralston 4, Adams 8, Crawford 8, Murray 3, Tubaugh, Orr. Foul goals—Adams 2. Referee—M. Bell.

Middies Class Teams Battle.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Dec. 3.—The football teams of the classes of 1906 and 1907 played a game on the naval academy gridiron today which resulted in a score of 11 to 4 in favor of '06.

RILEY KERN,
Goal Tender for the Portage Lake Seven.

NELSON IS SURE THAT HE WILL DEFEAT BRITT

Says He Will Win Within Twelve Rounds and Be the Undisputed Champion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 3.—In the office of Hearst's Examiner here today Battling Nelson, conqueror of Young Corbett and next foeman of Jimmy Britt, wrote the following article, in which he predicts a quick victory over Britt:

"At last I am matched to fight Jimmy Britt. Seventeen days more and it will all be over and I will be the undisputed champion of featherweights and the king pin among the lightweights.

"I predicted when I left Chicago that before I returned I would be champion. I predicted that I would defeat Corbett. I now want to predict a victory over Britt within 12 rounds at the most. I was never sure of anything in my life than that I will humble this idol of the Pacific coast, of which everyone in Chicago has been hearing so much about of late years.

"We are to fight on the night of the 20th. It is my plan to rest up for two or three days, and then, returning to my quarters, to keep hard at work up to the day of the fight.

"Since whipping Corbett I have received telegrams from all over, congratulating me on my victory. I never knew that I had so many friends before. I want to take this opportunity of thanking one and all for their interest in me, and assuring them that I shall do all in my power to merit their friendship by taking one championship from the coast and bringing it home."

Athletic Election at Dickinson.

CARLISLE, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The regular annual election of the Dickinson College athletic association was held today. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, A. J. English, 1906; vice president, Herbert E. Lauthaw; secretary, F. P. Simpson, 1908; treasurer, Charles M. Kurtz, 1907; football manager, Robert A. Kelly, 1906; assistant, C. Perry Lingle, 1907; baseball manager, Ripey Sadler, 1906; assistant, Harry M. Scarbrough, 1906; manager of track team, Tommy Atkins, 1906; manager of basketball team, T. Lane Miller, 1906. J. Kirk Bosler, a prominent alumnus of Carlisle, was elected a member of the advisory committee of athletics. He will serve for a period of two years.

"Ps" Awarded by Princeton.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Princeton's athletic association has awarded the privilege of wearing the letter "P" to the 15 men who participated in the recent Yale-Princeton football game. The players of the scrub will be allowed to wear their class numerals. The following six players won their letter for the first time: Dutcher, 1907; Ward, 1905; Tenney, 1907; McCormick, 1908, and Ritter, 1908. The others who were granted their "P" are Short, 1905; Capt. Foulke, 1905, King, 1905; Crawford, 1905; Burke, 1906; Tooker, 1906; Dillon, 1907, Cooney, 1907; Ruton-Miller, 1907.

Manchester Beats Evans City.

EVANS CITY, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Manchester defeated Evans City here tonight in a pretty game. The score at the end of the first half was 5 to 7 in favor of Manchester. Lineup:

Evans City—17.		Manchester—29.
Michley	Forward	Koch
Wahl	Forward	Stehle
Briesbath	Center	Metzgar
Evans	Guard	Graham
Befnecker	Guard	Barry

Substitutions—Fortic for Befnecker. Goals from field—Michley 2 Wahl, Evans 3, Koch, Stehle 8, Metzgar, Graham 2, Barry. Goals from fouls—Wahl 4, Michley, Graham 3.

This Sycamore Bunch Lost.

The Fairbanks last night defeated the Sycamore five 39 to 16. Lineup:

Fairbanks—39.		Sycamore—16.
Fincke	Forward	Malley
Gordon	Forward	Feeney
Lang	Center	Quinn
Nieman	Guard	Boyle
Yeedt	Guard	Whitesides

Goals from field—Gordon 12, Fincke 5, Malley 2, Quinn 2, Feeney, Boyle from foul—Gordon 3, Whitesides 6. Substitutions—H. Yeedt for Nieman. Time—20-minute halves. Referee—Berigen. Timer—Meyer.

Council A. C. Wins Game.

The Columbia Council A. A. defeated the Bulger A. C. on the council floor 19 to 10. Lineup:

Council A. A.—19.		Bulger A. C.—10.
A. Fisher	Forward	Kretzler
Moses	Forward	Saunders
Raphael	Center	Russell
H. Fisher	Guard	Lamprey, Hook
Lindenburg	Guard	Philson

Field goals—A. Fisher, Moses 2, Raphael 2, H. Fisher 2, Saunders 4, Russell 1. Fouls—H. Fisher 5.

Paints After a Game.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Roy Webster, quarterback of the New Castle high school football team, was so badly injured yesterday in a scrub game that he dropped unconscious after walking to the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium after the game. He was kicked on the head. Physicians were summoned and Webster was revived.

RED HOT BOUTS GIVEN AT SMOKER

Local Boxers Went at Each Other in Finished Style. Knockouts Averted.

NO DECISIONS WERE GIVEN

At the athletic smoker given under the auspices of the Evans School of Physical culture in the hall at the corner of Fifth avenue and Smithfield street last night, there were some of the liveliest boxing bouts which have been brought off hereabouts in a long time, and while there were no real knockouts the promoters had to exercise rare judgment in order to avoid the same.

The hall was well filled with nearly all the old-time followers of the boxing game, as the tip had been sent out that there would be something doing and there was no mistake about this. The bouts were all six-round affairs and the contests were under the same rules that prevail in Philadelphia, six rounds with no decisions. There was no necessity for any official ruling on the part of the referee last night, as it was plain to all spectators who was the best at the end of each bout.

The program called for four bouts, and that number was furnished, and every one was of a nature to please the most exacting, as there was lots of blood spilled and there was something to keep up the enthusiasm every minute. The principal bout of the evening brought together "Kid" Carter of the South Side and Jack Bruce of Allegheny, who have met on one or two occasions before, and there was a feeling of enmity between the pair that was evident the moment they entered the ring.

Bruce and Carter lost no time in going after each other and it was a case of fight every minute of the time. Bruce is a lively boxer, who puts up a splendid display of footwork and he has a left jab that kept Carter guessing all the time. The South Sider, however, can do a little punching himself, and Bruce was aware of this before the bout had gone over two rounds. In the fourth round Bruce started a flow of blood from Carter's nose, and by constant jabbing kept the flow up until the finish of the contest. In the final round both went in for a knockout and the fighting was very fast, but both were on their feet at the time limit and the honors were about even.

Another rattling good bout was the one between Tom Connelly, a broad-shouldered newsboy who has a long reach and a terrific punch, and Bert Snyder, who has been boxing for a number of years. This pair went at each other for keeps and some of the blows were strong enough to fell an ox. Connelly had the better of the bout and in the fifth and sixth rounds Snyder was holding on and doing his best to save himself from being knocked out. Another lively bout was between Harry Brown, the ex-amateur champion, and Mike Madden, of the Herron Hill club. Brown had much the best of the opponent.

The nearest to a knockout was in the second bout between Billy Isaacs and William James, the latter from the Hill district. James knew little or nothing about boxing and started out as though he was going to drive Isaacs through the ropes, but he got a smash on the jaw in the first round that put him on his knees and he would have been counted out but the call of time saved him. In the second round James again went to his knees and refused to get up, so he was counted out.

PASSERS AT ALLEGHENY.

Prospects Bright for Season—McQuilson Is Chosen Football Captain.

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Basketball outlook at Allegheny colleges is good. Turner, Haas and Lockwood will be missed, but the rest of last year's team and some new men are showing up well. McArthur, captain last year, is playing a strong game at guard. Comfort's knee is still in bad condition. Capt. Lewis is strong at guard, Hewitt and Aiken, substitutes last year, will both make the team. Of the new men Russell shows up the best. He is very accurate at basket and a good passer. Tyrrell of Edinboro Normal shows up next best and will likely get the position of sub-forward. All candidates have been practising hard for the last month in preparation for the hard schedule arranged by Manager Frost, which follows:

January 9, Yale University at Meadville; January 13, Marietta at Meadville; January 20, Geneva at Meadville; January 27, University of West Virginia at Meadville; February 2, Westminster at Meadville; February 10, Penn State at Meadville; February 11, Grove City at Grove City; February 17, Oberlin at Meadville; February 24, University of Indiana at Meadville; March 31, Colgate at Hamilton, N. Y.; March 4, Syracuse University at Syracuse; March 6, Hamilton College at Clinton, N. Y.; March 10, Syracuse University at Meadville; March 13, Geneva at Geneva; March 17, Buffalo Germans at Meadville; March 20, Westminster at Sharon.

Westminster will be played on a neutral floor, probably at Sharon.

President W. H. Crawford entertained the football team at Lafayette hotel this evening. McQuilson was elected captain of next year's team. He has placed guard for the last three years.

PITTSBURGH PLAYER NAMED.

Eben M. Byers One of the Officers of National Golf Association.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The United States Golf association today nominated officers for the coming year as follows: President, Ranson B. Thomas; vice presidents, Albert L. Ripley and Theodore Sheldon; secretary, William Fellowes Morgan; treasurer, Samuel H. Hosbner; executive committee, Daniel Chauncey, Herbert C. Shedd, Heyward G. Leavitt and Eben M. Byers.

MILT MONTGOMERY TAKES TO POOL FOR WINTER SPORT

Milt Montgomery, the well-known local baseball player, has taken to pool. He joined the Vorweck team of Allegheny, which challenges all pool teams in Pittsburgh and Allegheny. The other players on the team are Howard, Earnest, Paul Vorweck and Eugene Zerlach. Teams hunting trouble should address Paul Vorweck, 1096 Beaver avenue, Allegheny.

BASKETBALL RACE CLOSE.

South Side Leads and Olympics and Manchester Fives Follow.

The big games which are to decide the local basketball championship are now under way, four games having already been played. The champion South Side team is again in the lead in this race, having won three games. The next game of the series will be played tomorrow night at Raleigh hall, corner of Locust and Mark streets, Allegheny, and the contestants will be the Olympics of McKeesport and the Manchester Juniors. This team will give the lower Allegheny boys a chance to pass the McKeesporters in the race, as a victory for them will make their record stand one victory and two defeats, while McKeesport will have one victory and three defeats. As a preliminary to the big game tomorrow night, the Manchester Juniors and the Olympic Juniors will come together in a 20-minute contest. The Olympic Juniors have not been defeated so far this season. Robert Kelley will officiate in both games.

FREEDOM FAILS TO SCORE FIELD GOAL ON SOUTH SIDE

Pittsburghers Roll Up 40 Points, While Visitors Get 7—Thompson Is in Game.

The Freedom basketball team made its first appearance this season at Odd Fellows hall and met a stinging defeat, being shut out without a field goal. Score 40 to 7.

A large crowd was in attendance and the familiar faces of East, Edgar and Thompson of W. U. P.'s football team aroused plenty of enthusiasm. This was East's first appearance in South Side's lineup and he received a round of applause. Seibel started the scoring, quickly followed by goals by Nickel, Windeknecht and East.

The champions varied their plays so often that Freedom had all kinds of trouble. The half ended 22 to 2. Lineup:

South Side—40.		Freedom—7.
East	R. F.	George
Leithead	L. F.	West
Mikel	C.	Edgar
Seibel	R. G.	Baur
Windelknecht	L. G.	Guettman

Field goals—Leithead 5, East 2, Nickel 4, Seibel 1, Windelknecht 3, Liebau. Foul goals—Leithead 8, George 7. Referee—R. L. Kelly.

BOUTS WILL BE LIVELY.

Local Fighters Will Do Battle at an Athletic Smoker.

Tuesday night, the Business Men's club will hold their weekly smoker and judging by the one held last week it will be a decided success. Patsy Brannigan and Skipper Pursely, the two best 40-pounders in this city, will meet and if once more Needs who is the better talker. They met last Tuesday and the crowd was on their feet cheering from the start to finish. Frank Morgan, who defeated Charley Gerwig so easily, will meet any one of his weight that desires to go with him. Joe Alton will meet Young Feeny. Tommy Trimble will meet Bart Connelly and Billy James will meet Tom Connelly. There will be several other contests.

Jack McClelland will start to train tomorrow at the Business Men's club for several good matches that Ella manager has in view for him. The West End club is after Lord, wants him to go there and meet Abe Attell again, but he will not leave here until after the first of the year.

COLUMBIA SEVEN DEFEATED BY THE N. Y. HOCKEY CLUB

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—With a team practically composed of players making their debut, representatives of Columbia university were defeated by the New York Hockey club in the inaugural contest of the season at St. Nicholas rink tonight, 13 to 2. Columbia recently lost two of its strongest players when Capt. Cook, the captain, and Knight were debarred from all athletics by the university faculty because of conditions in their studies. This left Jackson the sole remaining veteran on the team. Lineup:

| New York Hockey Club—13. | | Columbia—2

BASEBALL PEOPLE PREPARE FOR SPRING PRACTICE TRIPS

PIRATES' PLANS FOR SPRING TRIP

Players Are to Remain at Training Quarters and Exhibition Jaunts Will Be Cut Out.

SOME TRADES WILL BE MADE

The training trip of the Pirates next spring is to be a business affair from start to finish and there are to be no frills or side issues such as little jaunts in order to play exhibition games. This is the decision of the club owner and he should know just what he wants in that line.

Heretofore it has been the custom to arrange a series of exhibition games, the idea being to make enough money out of these games to pay the expenses of the training trip and in that respect they have been successful, but they were a positive injury in other ways and the club owner has come to realize this and will cut them out in the future. The Pirates' experience last season is one of the many reasons leading up to the decision to cut out all spring exhibition games except a few that may be played at the training grounds.

According to present plans the trip to the training quarters will not be made before the middle of March which is somewhat later than the majority of the other clubs, as they have planned to go south early in March and put in some of their time playing exhibition games. After reaching the training quarters at Hot Springs the Pirates will remain there until a day or two before the opening of the championship season and any teams wanting exhibition games will have to travel to the Ozarks to get them, because under no circumstances will the Pirates take to the road.

Shifted the Plan Last Season.

This same plan of action was mapped out for the team last season, but at the last moment at the earnest solicitation of the owners of the Kansas City club a shift was made and a series of three games were scheduled for that city. The team made the jump to that town from the training quarters and run into weather so cold that it was impossible to play ball, the field being covered with snow and the sudden change from the warm climate at the springs to the blizzard at Kansas City upset nearly all the good accomplished at the training quarters, and the players were in no condition for hard ball playing when St. Louis was reached. This was really the start of the Pirates' trouble last season and there will be no repetition of it if the club owner can help it.

The present intention is that the number of players to be taken on the training trip will not exceed 20 and there will be some hard work in cutting down as the list now includes over 30. The task of cutting down will not be undertaken until after the meeting of the league which is to be held in New York this month, when it is expected that some trades will be put through. The local club as well as some of the others have more players than there is any use for and it is likely that some will be turned over to weaker clubs and an effort will be made to equalize the playing strength of all the clubs in order that the pennant race may be a closer one than has been the case for some seasons.

Will Lay Plans for Trades.

That there will be some lively doings in the trading line at the annual meeting is evident from the manner in which the club owners are looking over the fields just at present. It is not likely that the deals will be made outright at the coming meeting, but it is a certainty that they will be talked over, plans laid, and the deals consummated later. This has always been the case and the same procedure will hold good this year. The club owners only get together for heart to heart talks twice a year at the annual and spring meetings and they manage to do a lot of quiet work on those two occasions. Not a few players who think their berths secure will more than likely find themselves shifted to other teams.

The action of Ban Johnson and Garry Herrmann in coming out flat footed in favor of shorter championship seasons and inter-series of games between the clubs of both leagues makes it almost a certainty that the plan will be adopted, as both men are leaders in their respective organizations, and their word comes pretty near being law. The plan will be taken up by the American leaguers at their annual meeting to be held in Chicago during the coming week and Herrmann will present it at the National meeting next week.

Difference of Opinion Is Slight.

Johnson and Herrmann differ slightly in their ideas of post-season games, as the head of the American league favors games between clubs in their respective positions in the championship race, while Herrmann argues that games between tail end teams would not prove interesting enough to be an attraction and favors contests indiscriminately between all teams, whether they be champions or tail enders. This difference of opinion is a small affair and can be readily adjusted when the matter comes up for official consideration, which it no doubt will within the next month or two.

In anticipation of a hard season, three of the Pirates, Wagner, Phillippe and Leever will take a turn at Mt. Clemens and spend a month at that resort shaping themselves up. At present Leever, Wagner and Phillippe are in the wilds of Butler county and chase after game and in a week or two they will invade Ohio where they will be joined by Leever and the trio after a month or so of hunting will take to the health resort for a boiling out. All three of the players were bothered more or less with rheumatism last season and the Mt. Clemens trip is to get rid of that trouble.

JAMES M. NELLIS.

BEN CROCKETT WON THE MAXIMUM STAKES

It Was Final Big Racing Event of Season in the East, and the Favorite Was Beaten.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—This was get-away day at Bennings and marked the closing of the racing season in the east for 1904. The three-year-old Ben Crockett won the feature, the Maximum, at three miles on the flat with James F., the second choice, second and the 2 to 5 favorite, Shorthose, third. Ivan, with a light impost, trailed the field in the handicap steeplechase to the head of the stretch, where he picked up the leaders and won handily. Possum was the only favorite to reward form followers. Other events were won by outsiders. Summaries:

First race, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile, Columbia course—Possum, 111, Oliphant, 11 to 5 and 4 to 5, won; Cannonball, 114, Redfern, 7 to 2 and 8 to 5, second; Orfea, 111, Romanelli, 10 to 1 and 4 to 1, third. Time—1:43 3-5.

Second race, selling, 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs, Columbia course—Tarpon, 99, Lee, 8 to 1 and 3 to 1, won; Calmness, 98, J. J. Walsh, 6 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Critical, 110, Redfern, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, third. Time—1:03 1-5.

Third race, handicap, steeplechase, 3-year-olds and up, about 3 miles—Ivan, 125, Saffel, 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, won; Woden, 160, Connelly, 8 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Imperialist, 168, Ray, 5 to 2 and even, third. Time—6:25.

Fourth race, the Maximum, 3-year-olds and up, 1 5 miles—Ben Crockett, 97, Romanelli, 12 to 1 and 3 to 1, won; James F., 107, Burns, 9 to 2 and 7 to 10, second; Shorthose, 117, Odom, 2 to 5 and out, third. Time—2:34 3-5.

Fifth race, maiden 3-year-olds and up, 7 furlongs, Columbia course—Ruby Heimstead, 110, Lee, 7 to 1 and 4 to 1, won; Frank L. Bell ey, 118, Romanelli, 12 to 1 and 5 to 1, second; Old Glory, 115, Connor, 4 to 1 and 5 to 6, third. Time—1:32.

Sixth race, handicap, 3-year-olds and upward, 1 mile and 40 yards, Columbia course—Proceeds, 101, Miller, 7 to 1 and 2 to 1, won; Jake Holtz, 105, Romanelli, 8 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Arrah Gowan, 95, Wenrick, 15 to 1 and 6 to 1, third. Time—1:45 4-5.

Kelley Will Stick to St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Dec. 3.—In a statement given out today, George W. Lennon, owner of the St. Paul American Association baseball club, announces Mike Kelley's retirement from the baseball business. Michael J. Kelly, who was manager of the club last season, will take his place. Mr. Kelly announces that he has given up his plans to go to Toledo to manage that club.

ATHLETIC FIELD WANTED BY W.U.P.

Allegheny Prep Is Showing Fine Form in the Interscholastic Hockey League.

INDEPENDENT BASEBALL NEWS

The Western University of Pennsylvania students want an athletic field of their own. The prospects for securing one are not very bright, but that it will ultimately come they are confident.

For the past few years when W. U. P. had no athletics of consequence there was a nonchalance in regards to athletic fields that was anything but pleasing to friends of college sports in this section, but now there is a different condition.

Those interested in athletics at W. U. P. want a field because it will give the institution a standing in athletics and at the same time help to encourage college sports in Western Pennsylvania. The eleven would be sure of a gridiron and a baseball team could be organized, also field and track teams.

Pittsburgh would be assured of a big field and track meet every year. The different colleges in this part of the country would form a conference and meet every year in this city to exhibit their strength and skill in field and on track. We would then have college athletics, and commercialism to a degree would be lessened.

The Prep schools have the correct amateur idea. They care not whether they play on an open field where everyone can see free of charge or within a park where admission money is charged. With the exception of last spring, when the championship interscholastic field and track meet was held at Friendship park under the auspices of Pittsburgh High school, the annual meet was held at Schenley park.

It takes money to run college athletics, however, and the coin W. U. P. spends for the rental of a park would help lots in maintaining other branches of its sports.

In Hockey League.

This week the "big league" hockey players will start and then the game will be on in full force. The Interscholastics have thus far been offering first-class hockey, and the indications are they will continue to do so for the rest of the season.

The Wilkinsburg High school had its first chance last Tuesday night and made a fair showing. It had one bad half, the second, when Pittsburgh High school shot five goals. Reisfar's outfit is a bad one for newcomers to battle with for the opening try, as he has a fast crowd—one that looks good enough to fight with any school team in the land. The Allegheny Preps appear to be of the real article, as their showing against Shadyside Saturday night was as good as could be expected later in the season. The Preps allowed but three goals in the first half, and then fought the champions even in the concluding period, no score being made on either side.

The Preps are looming up strong and it is up to East Liberty to keep them out of first place, as it now looks as though Shadyside and Pittsburgh will fight again for the championship with East Liberty and the Preps battling it out for the third position.

The addition of "Pewee" Bunton, East Liberty's captain of last year, to Wilkinsburg, makes that seven more formidable East Liberty had a chance to have Bunton again, but he says he would have been denied the privilege of playing hockey had he re-entered there. He then went to Wilkinsburg to finish his prep course. Bunton is a hustler at all times, and will keep Wilkinsburg on the move, if his words in the game are heeded.

Ball Players Signing.

This is the time when the ball players begin to ask themselves where they will be the next season. The leaguers know, but the independents in many cases do not, until they report where they "catch on."

Talk from different quarters has it that the independent circuit will not be as fast this season as last, as the managers have tired of paying big league salaries. Those who hire may start on the cheaper scale, but when the campaign waxes warm you will see these same persons hustling for the fast ones, offering as much coin of the realm as they can command.

Marty Hogan, it is said, will have players who were on teams in Maryland and West Virginia. Hogan loses many of his star performers who are going back to the minor leagues.

There were some good ball players on the Maryland teams last summer. Lonaconing had a first class man in Dan Raley, who had a brother on the Homestead team two years ago. Patterson, of the same team, who pitched for Homestead part of the season two years ago, developed into a good twirler. These are two men Hogan is said to be after. Karl Heinz, a local pitcher who showed fine form for Cumberland, has signed with the Dallas Texas league club.

Harry Tate, who did the jumping act all over the circuit last year, is to manage the Cumberland team the coming season. Tate is not getting into a job he knows little about. He has managed teams, independents and in minor leagues, and has met with success. He has a good field at Cumberland and with a winning team, will work himself into favor with the fans. Tate is signing a team and means to have only first class players. He would like to have Jack Davis, the local pitcher and infielder, and "Lefty" Jackson.

Frysinger's New Position.

One of the best known factors in the Tri-State league left that organization last week when Jesse Frysinger signed to manage the Holyoke (Conn.) State league team for the coming season. Frysinger is an able man for such company. He is well known throughout the state and he has the best wishes of his many friends.

RICHARD R. GUY.

LIVING GRADUATES OF YALE NUMBER 12,665

Of These, the Largest Part Are Engaged in Mecantile, Financial and Manufacturing Pursuits.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 3.—The directory of living graduates of Yale, made public today, shows 12,665 alive. Occupations are given of 96 per cent of the graduates as follows:

Agriculture, 254; arts and music, 156; education, 1,489; engineering, 849; finance, 1,138; journalism and letters, 330; manufacturing, 1,171; medicine, 1,151; mercantile business, 937; clergymen, 1,141; transportation, 191; unspecified, 506.

The oldest living graduate of the university is the Rev. Joseph S. Lord of Laingsburg, Mich., who was born April 20, 1808. He is the only survivor of his class of 1831, which was graduated with a membership of 81.

McCleary Is Re-Elected.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the football teams of California Normal Edward McCleary, halfback, was re-elected captain.

Bondholders Buy Plant.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The Jackson iron and tin plate mills were sold here this afternoon under bankruptcy proceedings for $62,600, being bought in by the bondholders of the company. The plant, built two years ago at a cost of $100,000, will resume work immediately, employing 300 men.

Arrivals at Pittsburgh Hotels.

Duquesne—A. C. Douglass, Steubenville; W. H. Clingeman, Scottdale.

Henry—E. T. Hall, Titusville; G. Altman, Latrobe; G. W. McNees, Kittanning, R. T. Devine, Erie.

Griswold—E. Meyers, Washington; C. W. Gage, Marietta; D. Lewis, East Brady.

Monongahela house—J. Zehr, Washington; W. H. Weekley, Uniontown; H. H. Scott, Homer City.

Colonial—J. Jackson, Wheeling; C. H. Beach, McDonald; S. N. Martin, Ridgeway.

Seventh Avenue—W. R. Earnhart, Greensburg; R. C. Howe, New Castle; L. O. Lange, Scottdale; J. J. Morse, Clarion.

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY ELEVEN

Back row.—Ross (manager); Rittman, West, Metzgar, Evans, Young, Geiger, Demming (trainer). Middle row.—Boyd, Walker, Covel, L. McKown (captain); Hellar, R. McKown, McPherson. First row.—C. McKown, Price, Longwell, Newcomer, Fugus.

This eleven, which is located at Ada, O., scored more points than any other college team in Ohio the past season and it claims the championship of that state in consequence. Kerr Price, the well-known athlete of Shadyside Academy, played an end on the team and was one of the bright stars. Capt. McKown is an Indiana (Pa.) boy.

RACING SEASON ENDS IN EAST

Bennings Meeting Was a Queer One, and Action of Officials Has Caused Much Talk.

WINTER SPORT IS NOW ON

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Racing in the east came to a final and definite end for the season of 1904 when the last race was run at Bennings today, and the winter tracks now will have full swing until the season of 1905 begins at the Washington track next spring. The wind-up meeting has been satisfactory to everybody except the form players. It is doubtful if the recent history of the turf records a meeting where favorites have been so consistently and persistently bowled over. Form has counted for nothing, and the more a bettor studied the charts the more likely he was to pick a series of losers. Long shots were the rule rather than the exception. Some of the form reversals were startling, and would seem to have merited investigation.

With no disposition to make any accusations it is worth suggesting in passing that a sharper watch on the part of race track officials for these suspicious reversals of form would be to the advantage of the sport. Of course no one expects a horse, no matter how high his class, to run absolutely true to form always, but when a horse is among the also rans in a field of second class platers one day and the next time out wins from stake horses, it has a suspicious look, to say the least, and the race-going public is entitled to be shown. There has been too much of this sort of racing, not only at Bennings, but at all the eastern tracks this season.

Many Horses Go South.

Most of the horses from Bennings will go to New Orleans, though a right smart sprinkling will be taken to California and an important contingent will go to Hot Springs, Ark. Eastern horsemen, as a matter of fact, are most favorably inclined toward the Arkansas track and many prominent eastern owners have made nominations to the races, including L. V. Bell, A. L. Aste, M. L. Hayward, Albert Simons, H. T. Griffin, Goughacre stable, J. H. McCormick, P. Wimmer, W. C. Daly, A. Zimmer, J. L. McGinnis, A. Carson, P. H. McCarren and T. D. Sullivan.

It is stated that Redfern, Shaw, Odom, Crimmins and other stars of the saddle will spend the winter at Hot Springs. The leading event of the meeting is the Essex Park Derby, and this has 66 entries with the best horses in the field, consisting of Song and Wine, Right Royal, Asteriks, No Trumper, Pawtucket, Larry Berry, Linden, Colonel Preston, Comic Opera, Cigarlighter, Gold Enamel, Tennyburn, Juvenaga, Ram's Horn, Freebooter, Junas, Buttling, Austin Allen, Inspiration, Trapper, Pancreatis, Recreo, Rubric, Druid, Light Note, Kittie Platt, Amberjack, Good Player, Far West, Applaud and Supreme Court. This is a pretty good field from which to choose for a winter track.

Eastern owners have not done much at New Orleans so far this season, but now Bennings is closed and a number of good eastern horses will go to the Crescent City, the westerners will not have things so much their own way.

Some interesting figures of the winnings on foreign tracks have come to hand. The leading owner on the French turf this year was M. Edmond Blanc and he annexed stakes and purses to the extent of $326,000. Sir James Miller, for whom Danny Maher rides, heads the list of winning owners in Great Britain with about $240,000 to his credit. Flying Fox, the stallion for which M. Blanc paid $187,000, is largely responsible for his enormous winnings, the sons and daughters of this great sire having proved exceptionally fine racers.

Some Jockeys Were Lucky.

With the close of the racing season abroad there has been an influx of American jockeys who have been teaching the effete Europeans how to ride.

A batch of four came over on the American liner Philadelphia this week. They were Jay Rausch, first jockey for William K. Vanderbilt in France; Harry Birkenruth, who rode for Edmond Blanc in France and Austria; Clem Mitchell, who rode in Russia, and William Shea, who rode in Germany.

Rausch rode 72 winners out of 250 mounts. His most notable winnings were on Mr. Vanderbilt's Turenne, which he rode to victory seven times during the season.

Rausch declared himself delighted with the treatment accorded him by the officials of the French turf, and, as he is still under contract to Mr. Vanderbilt, he will return to France early in the spring.

Birkenruth, who rode for Edmond Blanc in both France and Austria, was well up on the list of winning jockeys, as was also Shea, who rode in Germany.

Clem Mitchell, who some seasons ago was known as "Long-Shot Mitch," because of the many horses quoted at long odds which were ridden to victory by him, had a very successful season in Russia and he also will return to the stable he is under contract to early in the year.

Jockey Crimmins, who is now in New Orleans, may ride for James R. Keene next season. Mr. Keene has made an offer of $10,000 for his services.

FIGHT WAXES WARM IN THE WASH-JEFF ELECTION

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The contest for manager of the Washington and Jefferson football team between Ramsay, of Uniontown and John Wicks of Pittsburgh is becoming warm. College politics have been brought into play and nearly every student is working for one or the other. The selection of a manager is made by the athletic committee, which is made up of students and members of the faculty. The student Harold Ramsay, council this election and it is through them that the two aspirants for the place expect to win.

POOREST FIGHT OF HIS CAREER

That Is Opinion of San Francisco Sports of Corbett's Showing With Nelson.

HE WILL MAKE A NEW START

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Now that the excitement has cooled off and there has been ample time for a thorough interchange of opinions among the savants of sportdom, the impression is crystallizing that Young Corbett's fight against Battling Nelson was far and away the poorest of his career. This is about the only point on which there is anything like unanimity. In attempting to account for Corbett's poor showing quite a variety of views are expressed. To begin with, there is the broad idea that Corbett never before tackled such a fire-eater as Battling Nelson. Then, too, is the suggestion that the primrose path has made of the once terrible Denver kid a flabby little lump of humanity. A less extreme view is that Corbett overtaxed himself in the matter of stripping off flesh in a hurry and that directly he felt the stress and strain of a hard and fast encounter he wilted.

Corbett himself, while trying hard to keep from saying anything that might be construed into an attempt to belittle Nelson's victory, is telling sympathizing friends that he felt his strength leave him in the very first round.

Will Start Over Again.

"I suppose I will have to look around a bit to find the real reason of my loss of fighting power, but at this time it seems to me as though the things I thought would help me had the opposite effect. For instance, I felt all right while I was training and I remarked several times that I believed the eight months' lay-off I had benefited me. I have a suspicion now that it was the severe course of training after so many months of idleness that did me up. However, I am going to experiment a bit to try and find out where I stand. No one can tell me that I am all in yet by a long way. I am going to begin all over again and try and get back to my old form by slower stages. I am going to Los Angeles, where I will be ready to sign with anyone who cares to meet me and I will move heaven and earth to get on with the winner of the Britt-Nelson match. I believe the public would like to see me get a chance of that kind and I hope the clubs will think well enough of me to give it to me."

I have often referred to the secrecy observed around the Corbett camp in respect to the Denver lad's weight. It is the fixed belief in San Francisco that Corbett has more trouble than any fighter living in ridding himself of surplus.

During his recent preparation no one was allowed to see him weigh and the official reports given out in regard to his daily fluctuations and reductions were always accepted with a grain of salt. It is known positively that on former occasions he has had to resort to vapor baths a few hours before weighing time in order to have his weight perfect and there is reason for believing that he had to follow the same course on the date of his contest with Nelson.

Barney Oldfield, the automobilist, gave some criminating testimony in this connection, albeit he did it quite innocently. It appears that Barney agreed to go out to the beach with his automobile and bring Corbett into town an hour or so before weighing time.

"What do you think," said Barney, "when I got to Sheehan's I had to wait because Corbett was taking a vapor bath."

Those who listened nudged each other because they had heard of those vapor baths before and poor Barney did not dream that he was giving away the camp secrets.

One of Corbett's assistants at the beach told a number of sporting men that Corbett was seven pounds overweight the day before the battle and if such really was the case it can be seen how something in the nature of an artificial steaming-out process would be necessary in order to bring the little fellow to 130 pounds.

Nelson Has a Few Words to Say.

Battling Nelson says that he was surprised to find how light a puncher Corbett is after being warned so repeatedly in respect to the crushing force of the Denver pugilist's punches. At the same time Nelson thinks that Corbett was in fit condition to give a good account of himself if he had been allowed to cut out his own pace.

"I said I was going to fight faster than I ever did before and I guess I kept my word," said Nelson. "It was the pace that killed Corbett. I found out in the second round that I could reach him with short arm blows and I kept right on top of him during the balance of the fight. I never figured Corbett to be any more dangerous than Eddie Hanlon and I was right. I still think that Herrera is the greatest of all the 130-pound men I have met and the most dangerous."

But Corbett and his troubles will be forgotten soon and the coming contest between Nelson and Britt will hold the attention of fight followers. It is all settled that they are to box on the night of December 20, and that Billy Roche—once a Cherry Hill resident and now an adopted native son—is to act as referee.

Only two names were considered in selecting a judge of fisticuffs, to-wit, those of Roche and Eddie Graney. It was given out that Graney could have the position if he wished to fill it and that if he did not care to act the honor was to be conferred upon Roche. As Graney has announced that he is through with refereeing professional fights for the present and possibly for all time, Roche will be the third man in the ring.

W. W. NAUGHTON.

Harris Is the Hill Champion.

The pool contest for the championship of Herron Hill, between Harris and Freese, ended Friday night, in a victory for Harris, 500 to 445. The winner would like to meet anyone disputing this claim in a 500-point game for a side bet. Address John Harris, care Henry poolroom, 2626 Wylie avenue, city.

NELSON'S VICTORY WAS A SURPRISE

Eastern Fight Followers Did Not Look for Such a Result—Discussing Battle With Britt.

MARVIN HART'S AMBITION

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—That a new star has arisen in the pugilistic firmament the battle in San Francisco Tuesday night leaves no doubt. The decisive manner in which "Battling" Nelson put it over Young Corbett leaves no doubt of the superiority of the fierce Norseman at the weights. While Britt is not the titular lightweight champion, the beating he gave Gans, to all intents and purposes, makes him champion of his division in the minds of the public, though he lost the decision on a foul. His decision over Corbett was by so narrow a margin that many followers of the game still question its justice.

Nelson's victory, on the other hand, was decisive, clear cut and showed him a marvelous little fighter. At 130 pounds he should be favorite over Britt or any other man now at the business. At 133 pounds, which will be the weight at which he and Britt will be matched, in all probability, Jimmy may be the favorite, but the man who gives long odds on him will be taking dangerous liberties with his money.

The news reports have it that Marvin Hart has championship aspirations and intends to get at Jeffries through the Jack Johnson route. It may be possible for the hard-hitting Kentuckian to get up to Jeffries by this means, but that he will wrest the crown from the big boilermaker is another matter. From the fact that Hart is a Kentuckian it is somewhat doubtful that he will go into the ring with the negro. Such a recognition of race equality would not enhance his popularity in the Blue Grass country, but it may be he will risk this in order to get a chance at Jeffries. If he beats Johnson the champion will undoubtedly give him a fight, and in all probability a beating. Hart is hardly up to Jeffries' form.

Hart and the Color Line.

The movement in favor of again legalizing boxing in New York under strict state supervision is growing in favor, and those back of the movement declare they are confident of success. When they go against the New York legislature, however, I fear they will have about as much chance as Munroe had against Jeffries. The up-country legislator thinks, in public at least, that a boxer has horns and a tail and what they will do to such a bill will be a-plenty. At that I may be mistaken. I hope I am.

The question of changes in the football rules which will result in more open play, the elimination, or at least the minimizing, of mass plays which endanger the life and limb of the player, continues to attract the attention of the football players and of the general public as well. That some change which will make the game less dangerous must be made is certain. Otherwise the game will fall under the ban and invite legislation ban or regulation. More than this, the present style of play is not popular with the spectators.

There Are Many Suggestions.

Many of those who saw the Yale-Princeton, Harvard-Yale, Columbia-Cornell and other leading contests of the fall freely expressed their dissatisfaction with the slow, involved and smothered system which prevailed. The few long runs and punts which enlivened the otherwise tiresome line grinds only whetted the desire for more of the same sort. Even to those thoroughly familiar with every move of the game the endless series of dives and plunges at the line from tackle to tackle soon lose interest. It only needs casual observation during the progress of a big game to determine whether the mass plays or the dashing runs through a broken field is the more popular.

Many are the suggestions that are offered by the followers of the game each year in their desire to have a more open style of attack incorporated in the rules. Many of these suggested changes and regulations are impracticable, but occasionally one crops up that appears to have the needles of the much-sought system. Recently the plan of increasing the distance to be gained in three downs from five to ten yards was brought forward. It was pointed out that this would put a premium upon the end running, as the average gain in three downs by line plunges seldom netted 10 yards when the contesting elevens were anywhere near equal in strength. Another plan favored stationing the line players at least one yard apart, rather than shoulder to shoulder.

Still another advocate of more open play would curtail to five men the number of forwards on the team playing on the defense. An Englishman, formerly a famous Rugby player, offers the idea of substituting a round ball for the spheroid now in use. He is of the opinion that more certainty in the handling of the passes would result, and thus encourage this feature of the play.

Another suggestion which is worth consideration is to give a field goal more value in the score than a goal from a touchdown.

WILL BANISH PLAYERS.

Ontario Hockey Association Opposed to All Professionals.

TORONTO, ONT., Dec. 3.—The fifteenth annual meeting of the Ontario Hockey association opened here today with a larger attendance of delegates than ever. President Robertson in his address, among other changes, advocated the appointment of professional referees, penalty timekeepers and a goal crease such as used in lacrosse.

"For self-preservation the stand of the Ontario Hockey association against the professionalism of Pittsburgh, Houghton and the Soo," he said, "must be uncompromisingly antagonistic. Any player who figures on any of those teams must be banished from Ontario hockey."

EIGHTEEN TEAMS READY TO RACE

Thirty-Six Riders Will Start on Long Journey, and the Field Is Very High-Class.

COMPLETE LIST OF THE TEAMS

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Five minutes before 12 o'clock tomorrow night 18 teams will line up in Madison Square Garden prepared to start in the great six day bicycle race.

Ten minutes later the signal will be given for the send-off, and amid the frantic cheers of thousands of enthusiasts the 36 contestants will be off on their long journey, during which they will circle around the high banked track for 142 of the longest hours they ever experienced.

In no previous race of the kind has there been such a high class field of riders brought together. Nearly every nation in the world has sent its fleetest and best trial racers. The international feature of the race will add greatly to its interest, and as the contest progresses the excitement will reach fever heat.

There will be various sprint races and short distance speed contests interspersed during the week each afternoon and evening in which the best and speediest racers in the world will compete. The complete list of starters follows:

Swiss-French team—Jean Gougoltz, Switzerland; Petit Breton, France; Belgium-Holland team—Arthur Vanderstuyft, Belgium; Johann Stol, Holland; French-Argentina Republic team—Antonio Dussot, Argentina Republic; Andre Mazan, France; The Dixie Flyers—Bobby Walthour, Atlanta, Ga.; Bennie Munroe, Tennessee; The Boston team—Nat Butler, James F. Moran, Boston; Australian-Mexican team—W. (Pedaller) Palmer, Australia; Emil Agraz, Mexico; the Mormons—W. F. Samuelson, Saxon Williams, Salt Lake City; Quaker-Chicago team—Otto Mayo, Pennsylvania; Jed Newkirk, Chicago; Long Island, C. R. C. team—John Bedell, Monus Bedell, Lynbrook, L. I., New York team—E. F. Root, Oliver Dorlon, Sheepshead bay; Boston-Chicago team—Hugh MacLean, Boston; James B. Bowler, Chicago; Yankee-Western team—Harry Caldwell, New Hampshire; Norman C. Hopper, Minneapolis; the Irish team—Patrick Keenan, Lowell; Patrick F. Logan, Boston; Newark-Brooklyn team—Floyd Krebs, Newark; Joseph Fogler, Brooklyn; American team—Charles Turville, Philadelphia; Louis Mettling, Boston; East Side, Boston team—Sammy Sulkins, Boston; Joseph Rockowitz, New York; California team—Hardy Downing, Burton Downing, San Jose, California; Italian team—William F. King, Missouri; Mario Rossino, Italy.

CHICAGO IS ONCE MORE OPEN TO THE FIGHTERS

Mayor Harrison Relents and Allows Clubs to Hold Bouts—Battling Nelson's Start.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Mayor Harrison moved by the touching appeal of hungry fight-promoters (backed by strong political "influence"), has finally relented and the pugilistic game will soon be in full blast again in Chicago, even as in the good old time. Of course, the covenances will have to be observed, the mayor stipulating that each club must show a "membership roll" and that only "members" or their "friends" may attend the fights, but these little formalities will not bother anyone—not so that it could be noticed.

It seems the mayor really believes the promoters have been sufficiently punished for their past misdeeds, and the understanding probably is that they can go ahead and run their shows, if it is done in a decent, open and above-board basis. But no faking or wrangling will be permitted and at the first sign of it, the clubs will be closed—and stay closed. So it is probable we will have a fight season this winter that will benefit all concerned and furnish a good deal of sport for those who love the game.

After the sad affair at Philadelphia last week, the Blue Island club managers came very near cancelling the go scheduled for Monday next between Jack Root and John Wille. It is said they had fully intended doing so, but Root, anxious to reinstate himself in the good graces of his Chicago friends, made a strong appeal to them to let the date stand. He solemnly promised to wade into Wille from the tap of the bell and fight like a maddened wildcat. So Root will be given a chance to square himself, and if he follows out his good intentions, there will be quite a lively session, as Wille, in the ring, is a very excitable young man and will undoubtedly do his best to reciprocate Root's attentions. Last winter the pair fought a draw, the result of Root's playing safe and Wille's earnest work, but as Monday's fight promises to be on a different basis, there is a good chance for a knockout.

A year ago Battling Nelson was doing the best he could around Chicago. Occasionally he got a chance in a preliminary, but generally got the short end of the purse, and on one occasion was batted about so unmercifully that the crowd hooted him out of the ring. Eventually he emigrated to Milwaukee where fate was kinder to him—or his opponents easier, I don't know which. He started up the pugilistic ladder at a rapid pace and last Tuesday night reached to top rung, when he slowly but surely battered Young Corbett, hitherto the kingpin in his class, into a state of helplessness.

Giving Nelson full credit for his great performance, it is probable that he fought a man already beaten by that which had undermined so many fighters, from John L. Sullivan down—wine, women and song. The little Denverite let the butterfly life get the better of him and paid the penalty. That this is true is proven by the showing he made, his fighting in all particulars being far inferior to his previous wonderful performances.

BISHOP PHELAN WILL FIGHT.

He Will Vigorously Oppose the Collection of Personal Property Tax.

Bishop Richard Phelan of the Pittsburgh diocese of the Roman Catholic church will make a legal fight against the attempt of the county to collect the $12,000 state tax claimed to be due on the $1,000,000 mortgage given by H. C. Frick in the purchase of the cathedral property.

Charles D. Gillespie is the attorney for the bishop. He believes the church will win the case and is ready to make a legal fight. His contention will be that the funds held by the bishop for the church are for religious purposes and not subject to taxation.

Delinquent Tax Collector Mattern is confident of winning the case. He believes that the mortgage is subject to taxation.

Trouble Over an Automobile.

Charles Stinson, Jr., was put in jail last night on a bail piece for a trial in court in a damage suit. The action was brought by L. G. Martin, the proprietor of an automobile garage in the East End, for whom Stinson was employed. It is said that in October Stinson and another man took one of their employer's automobiles and while riding around were struck by a car at the entrance of Schenley park. The machine was badly damaged and after learning this, Martin brought suit.

May Settle the Strike.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 3.—The board of conciliation on the part of the Kanawha Coal association and the striking miners in the Cabin Creek district today reached a compromise. If the operators accept the terms the strike will be settled.

Purchased Electric Light Plant.

A deal was closed yesterday for the purchase of the old Homestead electric light plant by the Lawson Manufacturing company from T. W. Brockman for $13,500.

FIANCEE OF PITTSBURGH SUICIDE IS PROSTRATED

Dr. Alice Evans of Allegheny Was to Have Wedded A. E. Lewis Yesterday.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 3.—Within one hour of the time that the engagement of Miss Alice R. Evans and A. E. Lewis appeared in Youngstown newspapers, news was received that the latter had shot himself in Pittsburgh, dying a few hours later. The wedding was to have taken place here today at the home of Miss Evans' parents, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Evans. The daughter, who was to have been a bride, is prostrated at her former home here. Miss Evans is a practicing physician, with an office in Allegheny.

Mr. Lewis, who belonged to the firm of Lewis & Brown, butter dealers, of 103 Third avenue, Pittsburgh, lived near Miss Evans' office. The engagement of the two was not known here until the announcement was published in Youngstown papers Thursday evening. Nothing is known here as to the reason why Lewis ended his life just two days before he was to have been married.

Miss Evans' sorrow is heightened by the fact that a sister to whom she was strongly attached is dying at the home here from consumption. Dr. Evans, father of the girl, is pastor of the Memorial Presbyterian church.

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The relentless onward march of industry, paying no heed to the desire of a few for a place of beauty away from the more sordid things of this world, has turned up the Ligonier valley and the immediate future promises to convert the most picturesque region near Pittsburgh into an industrial section. With the coke ovens that are projected as one of the most essential features of that industrial development there can be little doubt that the pall of smoke which marks a Western Pennsylvania business town will soon hang over beautiful Ligonier, while the limpid streams that flow through the valley will have their courses marked a dirty yellow by the washings of the ovens.

Business pays little attention to sentiment and while there may be many to regret the change that is coming over the old valley it is realized that this very change will bring to the business men of the section greater financial returns than could be hoped for in any other way and to the property owners will give added value in their real estate.

The marvel of the situation is that this work was not started years ago. Like other parts of Western Pennsylvania the hills of the valley are filled with black diamonds, but the recent work has demonstrated that in part of the Ligonier district at least the coal is of that quality which has won a world-wide reputation for the Connellsville region.

Has Fine Coking Qualities.

The most northern outcrop of Connellsville coal has been opened only a little more than a mile back of the town of Ligonier. In texture, in analysis and in other respects it has been shown to possess the true qualities of the Connellsville product. It is perhaps a little higher in phosphorus than that found in the Uniontown district, but in basic steel making this does not count against it. In sulphur it is exceedingly low. In texture it shows the good features of the older Connellsville article.

The Colonial Coal and Coke Company of this city, which recently took over the properties of the old Seger Coal and Coke Company, incorporated, has been the first to start actual coal development there and the inspection of its mine and coke ovens, as well as the selling of the lots of the new industrial town of "North Ligonier" was the formal announcement to all interested that the work there was ready for its start.

This company will not long be alone in its district. The Shenango Furnace Company of Pittsburgh, operating important blast furances in the valleys, owns about 1,100 acres of this coal to the south of Ligonier and it is probable that next summer will see the work of developing this started. This coke is intended primarily for the company's own use.

Other Industries Projected.

The Peters Paper Company, operating a paper mill on the Loyalhanna at Kingston, near Latrobe, has secured a 65-acre tract and will open this at once to obtain the fuel it needs for its own uses.

Judge Steel of Greensburg owns 500 acres lying between the Colonial company's property and that of the Shenango Furnace Company. His plans there are not yet announced.

A basket and paper factory, to be built and operated by Allegheny men, is projected at the new town of North Ligonier and if the deal is carried through on the terms now being discussed it is likely to start its operations before another year has rolled around.

In addition to the 500-acre tract of the Colonial Company mentioned above the same company has secured a 5,000-acre property only a short distance to the west underlaid with the Freeport and Kittanning seams. Its surface is covered with a magnificent growth of virgin timber, from which an average of about 10,000 feet of lumber an acre can be had. Parts of it run as high as 30,000 feet to the acre. It has nearly all the valuable woods indigenous to Western Pennsylvania—hemlock, white oak, red oak, cherry, chestnut, etc. The clearing of this timber and the manufacture of lumber from it will in itself maintain an industry of no small proportions for several years. The small timber needed for the coal mines will be furnished from this tract.

There remains another natural source of wealth in the tract in its stone deposits. "Ligonier block" is too famous in Pittsburgh to need more than a reference. Glass rock and glass sand, building stone, limestone and blue rock are there in quantities which yet remain to be estimated. The future quarrying in the Ligonier valley promises to exceed by far anything up to date.

Water Supply Is Abundant.

It is claimed that there are indications of the presence of oil and gas in this district. This remains yet to be investigated.

One of the greatest blessings of the section is a generous supply of water. The streams are fed by abundant mountain springs which even a long dry period like that now causing complaints does not hurt. At the present time a considerable proportion of the coke ovens in the Connellsville region are out on account of lack of water and the importance of this feature has been emphasized.

The plans of the Colonial company as the pioneer in the coal development of the Ligonier valley are being followed with much interest by many persons. The stockholders are many of them persons of only moderate means and they are widely scattered. A meeting of the stockholders has been called for December 29 to decide upon the proposition to reduce the capital stock from $2,500,000 to $1,250,000. It is stated that the company finds that the amount originally authorized is far greater than that needed to carry out the plans which have been settled upon. The original plans called for a wider scope of operations than will be realized. In addition to the Ligonier propositions the company owns the Glen Easton Coal and Coke Company with three mines at Moundsville, W. Va.

Railroad to Run to Bolivar.

One of the important factors in the development of the industries latent in this valley is the Westmoreland Central railroad, running from Ligonier to the present operations of the Colonial company and projected from that point past the 5,000-acre tract of the same company and on to a junction with the Pennsylvania railroad at Bolivar. This railroad is owned by the Colonial company. The right of way is more than half secured and construction work is in progress.

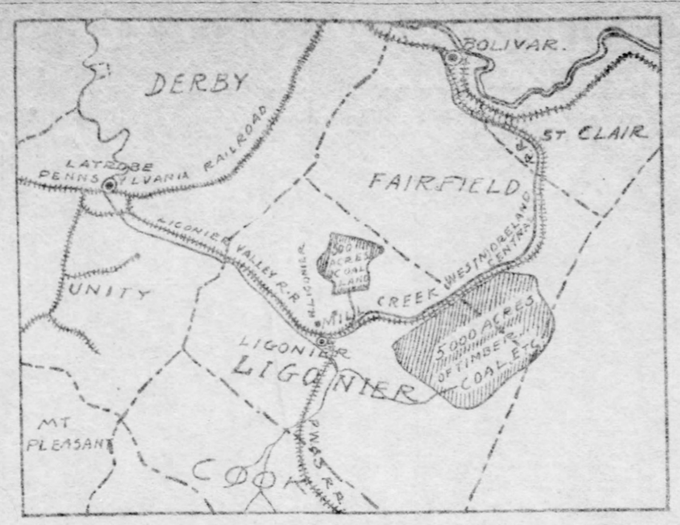
This road has been the bone of considerable contention, but it is believed that the trouble has been satisfactorily settled for the present, at least. The road will be 14 miles long.

Was a Fat Receivership.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3.—Judge Dobler today referred all the papers in the report of Receiver Allan McLane for the Maryland Trust Company to Auditor Julian S. Jones, and directed that the receiver be allowed $111,680 or 2 per cent on the $5,584,000 of money and collateral handled by him during the receivership.

Dropped Dead at Fire.

HYANNIS, MASS., Dec. 3.—During a fire here shortly after midnight William P. Lewis, a retired shipmaster, dropped dead of heart failure induced by the excitement and exhaustion attendant upon his efforts to save his residence from the flames.



THE LIGONIER REGION.

This map shows the two coal tracts to be developed at once; the Westmoreland Central railroad projected to reach Bolivar, and the entire region which is soon to be made important industrially.

WABASH WILL BUILD LINE ACROSS TO THE ALLEGHENY

To Accommodate Tracks Needed for Freight Station Switching Elevated Structure Will Soon Start.

Very early this coming spring the Wabash-Pittsburgh Terminal railroad proposes to start the work of constructing its elevated tracks across Liberty and Penn avenues to the Allegheny river. Notice has been given to the tenants of the property in Liberty and Penn avenues and along Fourth street, which will be affected by this plan, that they must vacate by January 15.

While the plans of the railroad provide for the use of this elevated line ultimately as the route to Allegheny, the present work is not being done with that as the main purpose. The tracks are needed to accommodate the freight trains which will use the new freight station now in course of erection beside the passenger trainshed. Switching the cars to and from this station will call for these tracks.

Nothing whatever is being done on the Allegheny plans of the Wabash, as all these have been held up indefinitely by the war department at Washington on account of the demands of certain interests that the Wabash bridge be placed at a height of 70 feet. The railroad has offered to build the bridge at a height of 50 feet, which is 15 feet higher than the Sixth street bridge. Until the decision comes from Washington nothing can be done, since 70-feet elevation blocks absolutely all plans to reach Allegheny in that manner. Trains could not be operated over the great grades it would cause.

The work to be done this spring will mean, however, the expenditure of considerable money in foundations and steel superstructure. The contracts for this will not be let for some time, it is said.

PIRATE IS SENTENCED.

Man Who Robbed Woman on a Lake Steamer Is Sent to Penitentiary for Life.

DETROIT, Dec. 3.—Joseph Kirwin, aged 26, who was indicted last week on a charge of piracy on the high seas for the robbery of Mrs. M. B. Sweeting of Jackson, Mich., on the steamer Western States September 10, pleaded guilty today and was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Detroit house of correction.

Kirwin entered Mrs. Sweeting's stateroom, choked her, placed a handkerchief soaked with chloroform over her face, and robbed her of $40.

WIFE AND BABES SEARCH FOR HUSBAND AND FATHER

Mrs. Sadie Gallagher and Five Children from Moundsville, W. Va., Destitute in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Sadie Gallagher of Moundsville, W. Va., applied for shelter at the department of charities yesterday and was refused, as she is not a resident of the city. She was accompanied by five children, one of them a baby in arms. No place to go, no money or friends she was directed to the bureau of police.

Mrs. Gallagher told Superintendent Wallace that her husband, an oil well driller, came here three months ago and expected to find work and would then send for her and the family. She had not heard from him since and is fearful something has happened to him. His conduct was always good at home, but the grocer and the butcher had to tell her they could not longer let her have provisions without money. The rent of her house was long overdue and two days ago the landlord seized her goods and sold them and she was compelled to go out in search of her husband. A charitable association paid her transportation here, but she has not the slightest idea of where to look for him.

Superintendent Wallace said he could not turn the woman and her little family into the street and they were all given shelter in the matron's department at central station while other provision will be made for them later. Superintendent Wallace said it was sad to think there was no provision made for just such cases, where at least temporary relief would be afforded those worthy of charity.

COMMITTEE ON COURTS.

Bar Association Will Secure Full Information as to Necessity for Judges.

President Thomas Herriott of the Allegheny County Bar association yesterday appointed the committee which will investigate the need of additional courts in this county and report to the bar association at its next meeting. The committee is made up of Republicans and Democrats. Those appointed are Harry M. Scott, C. C. Dickey, Charles A. Fagan, George B. Gordon and E. Y. Breck.

The members promise to get busy between this and the last bar meeting of the year. They will go into every phase of the question and get up a detailed report of the conditions, so that every lawyer can judge for himself. The report will be available for the legislature, if the Bar association decides to recommend two additional courts.

TAILORS AFRAID OF MATRIMONY

See So Many Cases of Man's Weaknesses They Stand in Awe of Women.

CANNOT PLEASE FAIR SEX

Most tailors are bachelors. Last week a reporter asked a prominent merchant why that was a fact and he was given these reasons:

"The tailor sees much of the dictatorial wife in his business. A man will come in the store, select a piece of goods, be fitted, and, after the suit is made, bring his wife to get her opinion. Nine times in 10 the woman does not like the quality of the goods or the fit. The man usually yields to his wife's judgment and refuses to take the suit. It is because men bring their wives with them to select clothes that keeps so many tailors bachelors.

"The other day a man and woman came into the store. The man wanted a suit. After showing the couple some 110 different pieces of cloth, the woman chose a suit for her husband. The man, who was to pay for it, had no voice in the matter. A week later the couple came back to get the suit. The clothes fitted perfectly. But the wife had a different opinion.

"The cloth did not look so well as it did in the roll; it was ill-fitting, and as a matter of fact, the woman found more faults with the clothes than I could begin to remember. However, the argument was terminated by the woman having her way. She would not permit her husband to accept the clothes.

"They left the store and in a half hour the man returned. 'That was the best fitting suit I ever had, and I will take it off your hands,' he declared.

"Well, that man so disgusted me by being so weak that I refused to let him have the suit.

"But I have one real man among my married customers. Sometime ago he came into the store and ordered an overcoat. The coat was made, and a week later he called for it. I had noticed a woman enter the store with him, but she remained in front while the coat was being tried on. He told me the woman was his wife.

"My customer and I agreed the coat fitted perfectly and as I was more than pleased with the appearance of the garment I suggested he show it to his wife. We walked to the front of the store and to my surprise the coat did not please the woman.

"'It don't fit,' she said, 'and I think the color is horrid.'

"I saw right away I had made a mistake, but the husband came to the rescue.

"'I am going to wear this coat,' he said, 'I think it is all right. My wife don't know anything about my clothes, she can select her garments, but I will do my buying.'

"As we walked back to the rear of the store I patted the customer on the shoulder. It does a person good to meet a real man once in awhile."

Plan of Business Agents.

A meeting of the business agents, whose organizations are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, was held yesterday afternoon. It was decided to rent a large hall where each business agent would have desk room. At present the business agents are scattered and it is difficult for them to keep posted on conditions.

TRACTION AND BOND CASES ARE DELAYED

Hearing in Filtration and Boulevard Suits Will Not Take Place Until January.

An agreement between the administration and Controller Larkin has been reached that the filtration mandamus case shall not be taken up before its turn on the regular argument list. This will delay the case until some time in January. The contract ordinances will be passed by councils and the contracts let long before the hearing in the case.

It will then be too late for action on the contract ordinances to be affected by any developments of the suit. It is now announced that Mayor Hays' absence will be delayed for at least three weeks more, which is a couple of weeks longer than it was first stated he would remain away. The boulevard case has also been delayed until the January term of court.

There were persistent rumors yesterday that Murry A. Verner, who is interested in the boulevard case, intended leaving shortly on a trip to Europe, but this Mr. Verner denied yesterday. City Solicitor Rodgers is said to be preparing for the linear tax case, which is to be heard in the state supreme court. This case must be decided before the last of January to permit the tax to be levied again next year in the event of the tax being declared constitutional.

CHANGES IN LIBRARIES.

Librarian Anderson Goes to Missouri and Miss Elliott Leaves the Lawrenceville Branch Library.

Edwin H. Anderson, who resigned his office as librarian of the Pittsburgh Carnegie library, left last night for his new home in Carthage, Mo. Yesterday morning the members of the library staff formally assembled in Mr. Anderson's office to bid him farewell. He thanked his associates for their hearty co-operation and stated that he regretted to leave Pittsburgh.

Miss Agnes M. Elliott, librarian of the Lawrenceville branch library, has resigned to become librarian of the Carnegie library in Steubenville. Her position will be taken by Miss Winifred A. Riggs of Cleveland. Miss Riggs formerly was an assistant at the Pittsburgh library.

Military Funeral for Dead Sailor.

John Doble, the young sailor who was suffocated to death by gas on the Eagle in the naval yards at Boston, Mass., will be given a military funeral from the home of his sister, Mrs. Thomas Donaldson, in Homestead this afternoon. Doble was 20 years old and had lived in Homestead previous to enlisting in the navy.

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Columbus and Cincinnati	* 4.50 am	* 8.45 pm
Alliance and Crestline	* 6.00 am	* 8.30 pm
Cleveland and Bellaire	* 6.20 am	* 7.25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 7.50 am	* 4.55 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	* 7.80 am	* 1.05 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 7.85 am	* 8.20 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 8.30 am	†10.55 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 8.30 am	* 8.20 pm
Ohio Valley Express	* 8.50 am	* 8.30 pm
Salem and Alliance	* 9.00 am	†10.50 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 9.00 am	* 8.50 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 9.30 am	* 4.55 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 7.80 am	* 6.55 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 7.25 am	†10.55 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	* 7.55 am	* 1.20 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	* 8.35 am	* 8.20 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	* 7.35 am	* 8.50 pm
The Cleveland Express	* 8.00 am	* 8.50 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 9.00 am	* 6.45 pm
The Toledo Special	* 9.30 am	* 5.50 pm
Columbus and Chicago	12.15 pm	* 2.00 pm
Youngstown, Ashtabula & Jamestown	†12.35 pm	* 5.30 pm
Jamestown and Ashtabula	†10.55 pm	†10.55 am
Cleveland and Bellaire	* 1.20 pm	* 1.20 pm
Alliance and Mansfield	* 1.35 pm	* 1.00 pm
The St. Louis Special	* 2.00 pm	* 2.15 pm
East Liverpool and Steubenville	* 4.05 pm	* 7.40 am
New Castle and Erie	* 4.50 pm	* 8.20 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 4.50 pm	* 1.20 pm
Niles and Youngstown	* 4.30 pm	* 1.20 pm
Jamestown, Youngstown and Niles	* 4.20 pm	* 8.50 pm
The Cleveland Special	* 5.00 pm	* 1.50 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 5.02 pm	* 9.50 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 5.10 pm	* 9.10 am
The Chicago Special	* 8.30 pm	* 7.45 am
Columbus and Indianapolis	* 8.10 pm	* 8.55 am
The St. Louis Express	* 8.10 pm	* 7.55 am
Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 8.15 pm	* 8.00 am
The Pennsylvania Limited	* 8.15 pm	* 6.05 am
Toledo and Detroit Express	* 9.30 pm	* 7.55 am
Beaver Falls and New Castle	†10.40 pm	* 6.40 am
Alliance and Cleveland	*11.00 pm	* 6.45 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., *8.00 am, 2.00 pm, †3.00 am, *5.45 am, *1.30 pm, 4.10 pm, *6.10 pm, 7.15 pm, †8.50 pm, *8.20 pm, *10.10 pm.
Leave for Wheeling, *8.50 am, *2.30 am, *11.40 am, *2.30 pm, *7.15 pm.
Leave for Steubenville, *5.00 am, *8.35 am, 11.05 am, †10.25 pm, †11.55 pm.
Leave for Dennison, *5.40 am, *2.50 pm.
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AGREEMENT WITH AMERICANS.

Progress Toward One by Foreign Rail Manufacturers Who Recently Formed Pool.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—There is nothig at present available here in regard to the statement made on the Berlin boerse today that German, British, French and Belgian steel rail mills had signed a price agreement, except a statement from the Iron and Coal Trades Review, that the Anglo-German-French-Belgian rail pool was concluded November 28.

The Review adds that a certain amount of progress has been made toward fixing up an agreement with the American producers but that thus far nothing definite regarding the terms has been settled.

VANDALS RUIN A HOME.

Break Up All the Furniture, Dishes and Ornaments, Then Cut the Carpet Into Threads.

The home of Arthur Williams of Hays borough was entered yesterday, during the absence of the family. All the furniture, dishes and ornaments in the house were broken; carpets cut into shreds, and every article in the building broken and destroyed.

Williams stated that he had received a threatening letter early last week notifying him that unless he left the place he would be driven out. The letter had shoved in under the kitchen door.

AN IMPARTIAL VERDICT.

Handwriting Expert Decides That Both Democrats and Republicans Engaged in Business of Writing Ballots.

DENVER, COL., Dec. 3.—George King, a handwriting expert, appointed by the supreme court to examine the ballots in the ballot box of precinct nine, ward five, opened yesterday by order of the court, testified today in the proceedings against officials of that precinct who are charged with contempt of court, that the heading on 52 Democratic ballots had been written by nine persons, one of whom had prepared 19 of these ballots, and that five ballots with the Republican heading had been written by one person.

PUEBLO, COL., Dec. 3.—John A. Martin, Democratic candidate for state senator from this city, has secured an injunction order from the district court restraining Gov. Peabody and the other members of the state canvassing board from accepting the certificate of election issued to State Senator-elect T. G. McCarthy, Republican. Martin will prefer charges of a sensational nature.

Land Fraud Trial Ends.

PORTLAND, ORE., Dec. 3.—The land fraud trial came to an abrupt close today. The defense occupied but 17 minutes, offering nothing for the defendants, who for two weeks have listened to a chain of evidence against themselves which is confidently expected to convict them of conspiracy to defraud the government.

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CATARRH

Gentlemen:—I wrote you some time ago, giving you an account of my sufferings with an awful case of Catarrh. I had all the symptoms that accompany this disease, such as mucus dropping in the throat, a constant desire to hawk and spit, feeling of dryness in the throat, cough and spitting upon rising in the morning, scabs forming in the nose, which required much effort to blow out; sometimes causing the nose to bleed and leaving me with a sick headache. I had thus suffered for five years. As soon as I heard from you, I commenced to take S. S. S. as you advised, and after I had taken three large bottles, I noticed a change for the better. Thus encouraged, I continued to take it, and in a short while was entirely cured.
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I contracted Catarrh and suffered terribly with it for 25 years. It was so bad that I had lost my hearing, sense of taste, as well as being nearly blind. I tried various medicines and specialists, spending a large sum of money with them, but with no perceptible results, so I abandoned all other remedies and doctors and began using your S. S. S. I took three large bottles and one small bottle, when much to my joy I found myself a well man. All my senses were fully recovered, and after fifteen years I am happy to relate that I have never had the slightest return of the ailment. I am now 75 years old and enjoy good health for my age. I cheerfully and gratefully recommend S. S. S. as the remedy that cured me of Catarrh.
Fordyce, Ark. L. S. LOCHRIDGE.

If winter is to be dreaded for its snows, icy, cutting winds and damp, unpleasant weather, it is more to be dreaded because it brings with it the most annoying and disgusting of diseases—Catarrh. The changed condition of the weather brings on "bad colds" which irritate the inner skin and tissues, and they secrete an unhealthy matter that is absorbed by the blood and scattered all through the system in its circulation, and at the first sign of winter the patient begins to "hawk and spit." All the mucus membranes and tissues of the body are affected by this disease, and the filthy, poisonous matter finds its way to every part of the body, making the sufferer dull and half sick all the time. The head and eyes have blinding aches, the stomach bloats, the hearing is often affected and in its worse forms the soft bones of the nose and head are destroyed. Local applications such as sprays, washes and inhalations can do no more than give temporary relief, because the blood is constantly circulating through the system loaded with these filthy catarrhal poisons, and it must be purified and cleansed before a cure can be effected. S. S. S., a purely vegetable remedy, cures Catarrh by its invigorating, purifying action on the blood, and the catarrhal poisons are carried off through the proper channels. S. S. S. makes the blood rich and strong, and as it circulates through the system it carries healthful properties to the organs and tender tissues, the unhealthy secretions cease, and the whole system is renewed and built up by it. Don't let a "bad cold" become chronic Catarrh, but at the first symptom begin the use of S. S. S. and fortify the system against it. Our book on The Blood will be mailed free, and our physicians will give special advice to all catarrh sufferers who write, without charge.

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BETTER TONE TO REALTY MARKET

Over $975,000 Worth of Property Sold in Big Deals Last Week.

THREE SALES ARE ANNOUNCED

From the big harvest of rumors that has been gathered the last month there was thrashed out last week the most satisfactory list of deals made public this fall. Over $975,000 worth of property was disposed of in sums of over $20,000. This, two years ago, would have been considered a very fair week's market, and at present amply justifies the claims put forward by brokers all over the city that the real estate business is getting better every day. The bunch of rumors is by no means exhausted, and it would not be strange if there developed within the next 10 days transactions that will make those of the week past seem comparatively insignificant. It is a time when buyers are getting busy after months of idleness. The offers made in competition for high-class properties show that there is an edge to the dealing which has been conspicuously lacking for months. The market is still somewhat "spotty," but the rapidly increasing volume of business reported in nearly all the brokers' offices gives promise of a steady increase in the number of actual sales announced in the near future. From a business standpoint the most healthy feature of the situation is that the improvement is coming gradually and steadily and not in the form of booms, such as resulted so disastrously in the spring of 1903.

The sales of small properties have been fully as satisfactory as the larger deals. There are more buyers in the market and the results of advertising are much better than they have been heretofore. This is especially true of properties ranging in cost from $5,000 to $15,000, which pay a big percentage of revenue. With the closing of the year's accounts many dozens of people with small sums of ready money are looking for solid investments that offer good inducements. The lessons of the last two years have taught many of them that real estate is the best investment they can find and many who have never tried this sort of speculation are ready now to invest in good paying properties.

Prevailing Tendency Is Upward.

The F. W. Dodge Company reviews conditions in the construction world as seen by their representatives in the field during the last week as follows:

"The feature of the present situation among those interested in construction affairs is rather in the prevailing idea that the movement is upward than in any particularly tangible assurance by cold facts and figures as to the amount of work really started under contract. This is however in the nature of the case, as the trades at this season of the year, as it is not practical to launch projects involving large expenditures so late in the season. There is, indeed, a twofold reason for this condition at the present time involving, aside from the time of the year, the possibility of labor complications early in the season rather than the summer time as formerly. It is conceded that the danger of trouble from this source is reduced to a minimum by reason of the strong employers' organization throughout the territory, coupled with the excellent provision that the scales all be fixed at one time. When it has been said that there is unmistakable evidence on all sides of an impending rush along all lines of construction another year but little can be added. There is absolutely nothing new as to market conditions and there are no features developing in any part of the field worthy of comment. As to the work being taken under contract, the figures speak for themselves.

"The total amount of new building and engineering enterprises for which contracts have been awarded throughout Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio for the week ending November 26, as compiled from Dodge reports, approximates $791,000, against $564,000 for the week preceding, or a total for the year thus far of $66,118,000. The figures for the same week last year were $616,000, showing an increase this year of $175,000."

Sold Over $500,000 Worth in Week.

The Real Estate Trust Company added another to its list of big sales yesterday, making a total of over $500,000 worth of property it sold last week. The last purchase was made for Charles L. Walther of the Walther-Robertson Drug Company, who acquired for $80,000 four properties in Diamond street adjoining the two lots at the corner of East Diamond street, which he bought a few days ago through this same company for $140,000. M. E. Brown was the owner of 217 Diamond street, 15x10 feet. M. L. Gates owned 219, measuring 16x10 feet. No. 221, of the same size as the latter, was owned by J. H. Stuel, and C. S. Hays was the owner of 223, which is 17x10 feet. The buildings on the lots were razed some time ago and the ground will be included in the site for the five-story hotel which Mr. Walther will shortly erect.

This will be the first good building erected at the lower end of new Diamond street and will add greatly to the appearance of that section. The improvement immediately leads to the Germania Savings bank building at the corner of Wood street and the new building diagonally opposite are both permanent in their character. Above Wood street the new Colonial Trust Company addition has made a marked change for the better. With a few more really desirable buildings on that street the advantages of the locations for business stands would be doubled soon.

Hazelwood Corner Brings $60,000.

The former holdings of J. J. Speck at the southwest corner of Second and Hazelwood avenues, Twenty-third ward, have been sold for $60,000. The property is one of the most desirable in Hazelwood, being opposite the Baltimore and Ohio station. It has a frontage of 100 feet in Second avenue and 60 feet in Hazelwood avenue, extending back to the railroad tracks. The building is a large and substantial brick structure, three floors of which are used principally for business purposes. The property is bounded by the Emerson Real Estate Company and although officials of that company admitted that a sale had been made, they declined to give out any particulars in the deal.

Through the office of Black & Baird the Pittsburgh Drygoods Company has purchased from Milton I. Baird 4.5 acres of land in the east end of Latrobe borough and facing on the Pennsylvania railroad. On the lot are erected two large three-story brick factory buildings. The property was formerly known as the old reaper works, but has more recently been used for a big machine shop. Some time ago the factory of the Pittsburgh Drygoods Company at Greenville burned and in consideration of a small bonus from the town of Latrobe the company bought this property. "It will erect more buildings and equip the entire plant for a blanket factor" which will employ several hundred hands. The consideration reported is $50,000.

Short Month—Many Good Sales.

For a short month with two holidays November made a surprisingly good record in the number of large sales announced. Twenty-six sales totaling over $1,700,000 were made public during the month. As will be seen by the list given below the big majority of these deals were handled by local brokers. The properties sold are well distributed over Greater Pittsburgh and the varied purposes for which they were bought show conclusively that the real estate market is broader and in a better condition in all ways than it has been since the boom of 1902 broke. Following is the list of deals of over $20,000 made during November:

Jacob H. Goehring and the Home Trust Company for William H. Stevenson to J. Frederic Byers, 623-625 Penn avenue for $285,000; Gilbert T. Rafferty to an unknown buyer, property at Fifth and Maryland avenues for $165,000; James B. Lawler for George Schmidt to Dr. J. H. McClelland, property in Center avenue, Shadyside, for $160,000; the Real Estate Trust Company to Frank R. Tomb and Albion B. Best, the Smith apartments in Allegheny, they giving in exchange the Oakhill plan of lots, the deal involving $138,000; J. A. Young & Co. for William L. Curry to Lizzie W. McGonigle and Mrs. Alice F. Estey, 226-230 Craig street for $90,000, frontage in Lemington avenue, valued at $50,000, being taken in part exchange, and for E. W. Houston to a local investor, two flats in Collins avenue for $34,000; the Commonwealth Real Estate Company for John A. Murtland to Edward J. Schellentrager, property at Penn and Homewood avenues for $50,000; for S. S. Marvin to M. E. Suydam, three lots in Dahlia street for $22,884, an unknown buyer, the Zug property at Center and Negley avenues for $55,000, and for S. Markowitz for H. C. Bair to C. H. Adelman, 2024-2026 Wylie avenue for $29,000; George Bros. for A. J. Puflinburg to Charles Lockhart, the Wallace block in Wilkinsburg for $115,000, he taking in part exchange houses in Duquesne Heights valued at $35,000; John D. Shannon to D. Gregg McKee, the R. H. Carlisle holdings at 26 Liberty avenue for $82,000; R. H. Culbertson for James H. Park to Joseph W. Craig, property at Twentieth and Pike streets for $77,000; C. A. O'Brien to the Colonial Ice Company, property at South Sixteenth street for $75,000; the Wood holdings in Forbes street to Willis L. King for $75,000; Samuel W. Black & Co. for George B. Barrett to Dr. R. H. M. MacKenzie, 638 Penn avenue for $60,000; George C. Norris & Co. and I. Goldstein for Jacob Sussman to H. Senft, 1345-1347 Fifth avenue for $45,900; Coyle Bros. for S. R. Smith to an eastern buyer, property in Fountain street for $30,000, and for Thomas Pittock to an East End buyer, frontage in Beacon street for $22,500; the Union Realty Company for Cecilia Triplett to a local buyer, 597-599 Water street for $30,000; E. E. Klein for James G. B. McAuley, 15 lots in Sewickley for $50,000; W. L. Scott & Co. for C. A. Spivey to William M. Orr, 130-134 Charles street, Allegheny, for $27,500, property at 609 Allegheny avenue, valued at $20,000, being given in part payment; the Liberty Real Estate Trust Company for Joseph B. Shea to a downtown architect, frontage at North Negley and Homer streets for $20,000; Liggett & Lennox for John H. Armstrong to W. C. Lyne, the Imperial hotel at Beaver Falls for $20,000; Thomas Beatty to Abraham Rubinovitz, property at Butler and Forty-fourth streets for $21,000; Thomas Gamble to the Wabash railroad, property at Fourth avenue and Ferry street for $35,000.

Wierd Products of the Imagination.

Stranger-er than fiction are the hallucinations that frequently find their way into the news columns of a certain morning paper. The public was yesterday treated to a double dose of adulterated rumor, both "items" appearing under display heads on the first page. In the more sensational report Henry Phipps was "played up" as the buyer of the old Second Presbyterian church property. Unfortunately for the impression aimed at, Mr. Phipps was not in New York yesterday closing this particular deal with J. H. Goehring, the broker who handles the property for Herbert DuPuy. Instead he spent the day in Pittsburgh and vigorously denied any connection with a deal of this kind, while Mr. Goehring was in Philadelphia. A few facts are pertinent at this point. The church property has not been sold. It is not likely to be used for a hotel site for some time, at least. The property could not be bought for $600,000, the price mentioned in the "item," for the owner lately refused a price of $650,000.

The other vagary which was published was to the effect that the offices now occupied by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company at Fifth avenue and Wood street had been leased to the United Cigar Stores Company at $25,000 a year. The report caused no little amusement among real estate men yesterday, as the owners have only been asking $15,000 a year for the office, which is nearly double what they are now getting. It has been known that a cigar company was negotiating for the rooms for some time, but as far as could be learned yesterday no lease has been signed.

Three Downtown Leases Signed.

Through the office of Samuel W. Black & Co., Harris & Papier have rented from the C. P. Wentz Company the storeroom and basement at 302 Seventh avenue for a term of years and will occupy the room with a jewelry store, making three stores for them in this city. The same brokers leased for Harry Davis to a Chicago firm the storeroom at 429 Smithfield street, at the corner of Diamond street, the firm to take possession at once. They also rented a three-story brick building in Smithfield street, between Diamond street and Fourth avenue, for a term of years beginning April 1, the names of the parties interested being withheld.

L. A. Clark & Co. have sold for Mrs. B. Young Odbert and Mrs. J. M. McNeill to Dr. William H. Kirk 3339 Forbes street for $15,000. The property consists of a brick house on 40x127 feet. Dr. Kirk bought the place for a home.

The Duquesne Library Land Company has elected the following officers: President, J. M. Molamphy; vice president, Howard L. Black; treasurer, J. O. Miller; secretary, C. M. Cubbison; solicitor, J. Merrill Wright. Ninety per cent of the stockholders are reported to be in favor of consolidating with the Homestead Realty Company.

Rumor Could Not Be Confirmed.

A report was circulated yesterday that the Consolidated Ice Company had sold its property at Pike and Twelfth streets to the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company for $400,000. James McAfee, president of the former company, declined to discuss the matter in any way. It is known that the railroad company has been after the property for a long time, as it would make a valuable addition to its yard entrances.

The Aronson Realty Company reports the following sales for last week: For Caroline Richardson to Alexander Stanford, a nine-room, reception-hall brick house on 30x110 feet, in Kentucky avenue, for $9,500; for Joseph J. Gormerly to Mrs. Rebecca Replits of Allegheny, a nine-room house and store on 28x100 feet, at Chestnut and Vickroy streets, Sixth ward, for $8,000; for Attorney I. L. Aronson to Morris Schonick, 1425 Bluff street, a 14-room brick house on 20x50 feet, for $7,750; to Isaac Friedman, 46 Miller street, a seven-room house on 20x125 feet, for $7,200; for Joseph Caplan to Mrs. Ethel Schier, a nine-room brick house and a six-room dwelling on 20x70 feet, at Ella and Hazel streets, for $6,100; for Peter Haberman to A. Vonfeld, a nine-room brick house on 35x90 feet, at 218 Colbart square, Fourteenth ward, for $6,000; for I. L. Aronson to Abraham Rose and Simon Kaufman, a six-room house on 25x103 feet, in Marion street, for $4,200; for Elizabeth Hamilton to Thomas T. Turner, 580 Francis street, Fifteenth ward, a six-room frame house on 20x100 feet, for $2,600; for Samuel Lalowitz to Samuel Kurkoff, a five-room brick house on 25x61 feet, for $2,500; for David Merritt to S. Chotiner & Son, cigar manufacturers, 1814 Enoch street, a vacant lot 22x100 feet, for $1,000. The same firm has closed two large deals for property near the business center which will likely be announced this week.

Rushing Work on Bank Buildings.

Work is being rushed on the bank buildings which are being erected or remodeled, and within a few weeks there will be added to Pittsburgh's banking homes some of the most elaborate and tasty quarters in the state. The 12-story building of the Second National bank is completed and the interior work is going forward at a pace that makes it practically certain the rooms will be completed by March 1. This will be a great advantage to tenants, as usually these large buildings are still far from completion at the moving day, April 1, and no end of confusion and inconvenience results. The beauty and location of the new Keyser are proving its foremost commodity, and the Freehold Real Estate Company, which has the exclusive handling of the building, has already signed up leases for 92 of the 145 offices to be rented.

"From being the worst room in Fourth avenue you have made it the best," is the comment frequently heard in the newly-finished room of the Land Trust Company. Its length, 140 feet, and the arrangements of the offices and desks, make it a model of taste and convenience. In a few days the costly decorations will be completed and the full beauty of the interior will be more apparent. Architects Struthers & Hannah designed the interior, but the central idea was suggested by W. W. Giffen, an officer of the company.

The big addition of the Bank of Pittsburgh in lower Fourth avenue will add greatly to its facilities for doing business, as will the addition to the Colonial Trust Company building in Diamond street. Dozens of passersby stop every day to view the progress of the work on the Dollar Savings bank, whose front and especially its mounted lions have been transformed by the chisel, while the walls of the two wings were being started.

Flats on Hill Bring $24,000.

Through the Real Estate Savings and Trust Company, G. E. Evans has sold the apartment house at 1314 Bedford avenue for $24,000, the buyers being Allegheny business men. The building contains 27 flats of four rooms each and stands on ground leased from the Schenley estate for 20 years from next April. Its location near the downtown section makes it one of the best renters in the hill district and the total revenue is over $5,000 a year.

Page Bros. have closed the sale of the James H. Thompson house in Bartlett street, Twenty-second ward, the price being $16,000. The buyer proves to be Clarence P. Moore of McKeesport, who takes the property for a home. The residence is a modern 14-room brick house on 65x150 feet, and faces on the south side of the street, near Murray avenue.

The latest real estate firm announced is S. J. Purkiss & Co., who have fitted up a fine office at 1412 Farmers Bank building. Mr. Purkiss was for several years president of the Pittsburgh Carpet Company, and has a large circle of business friends. Five experienced salesmen have been engaged and the firm proposes to do a general real estate business, paying special attention to handling suburban properties.

Sales Made by Brokers.

Sharpsburg: Seidel Bros. sold for Daniel Snyder of Rome, N. Y., to George Dougherty, a frame house on 34x100 feet in Main street, near Fourteenth street, Sharpsburg, for $6,700; for Elizabeth K. Wise to T. J. Bushman, a frame house on 25x100 feet in Wilson avenue, Sharpsburg, for $2,400; for William E. Poynor to David T. Perry, a frame house on 35x100 feet in Grant avenue, Etna, for $2,500.

Darlington road: James H. Thompson bought from John V. McCormick 50x120 feet in Darlington road, near Shady avenue, Twenty-second ward, for $3,500. The buyer will build a $10,000 house.

Spring street: H. A. Shaffer & Co. sold for O. R. Liggett to W. M. Gill, 109 Spring street, Knoxville, a frame house on 25x100 feet, for $3,000, the seller taking in part payment two lots, 25x100 feet each, in Montooth borough, which were valued at $800.

Junius street: W. H. Heselbrath sold for John Steinbrun to the Wabash Pittsburgh Terminal Railway Company two lots, 150x107 feet, at Junius and Montgomery streets, Thirty-fifth ward, for $6,000.

Hays street: H. A. Lowry sold to Peter Boyd an improved lot, 40x132 feet, on the north side of Hays street, Nineteenth ward, for $9,000.

Forbes street: Mary Weis and others sold to P. J. Mullen an improved lot, 20x120 feet, on the south side of Forbes street, near Seneca street, Fourteenth ward, for $4,400.

Brereton avenue: Mathias Sisler sold to William J. Borton 80x100 feet on the southeast side of Brereton avenue, extending through to Grant boulevard, Thirteenth ward, for $3,000.

W. C. Duncan, Sewickley, has sold for Miss Olive Fletcher lot No. 5 in Minerva place plan, Edgeworth, and lot No. 4 in same plan for Mrs. Bell Wilson to John B. Milliken for $850 cash each; also a lot, 88x96, near Chestnut street, Edgeworth, for Frank Harrison of Sharpsburg to George Guenther for $425 cash, and a frame house of 8 rooms, lot 24x84, on Elizabeth street, Sewickley, for William Sinn to William Gormley for $1,800 cash.

Bellevue: Beaty & Jones sold for Prof. Harry W. Goden to William R. Evans, 50x150 feet in Dawson avenue, Bellevue, for $2,500.

Dauphin street: Page Bros. sold for James M. Giles to George W. Kredell, a frame house on 20x60 feet in Dauphin street, near Wilmerding avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $2,500.

The following permits were issued by the Pittsburgh bureau of building inspection yesterday: Miss R. Brown, brick dwelling, 229 Second avenue, First ward, $12,500; J. S. Fleck, brick veneered dwelling, Curtland street, Twenty-second ward, $5,000; Louis Metzger, frame dwelling, Cress street, Thirty-second ward, $1,500.

The Aronson-Friedman Company sold for Fred G. Sifferen, the Smithfield street optician, 1331 and 1333 Penn avenue for $50,000. The purchaser, Morris Kaufman, gave in part payment his property at 5072 Forbes street, valued at $25,000.

Transfers Recorded.

Anderson R J to Wm W Barr, Nov 12, 21st wd, Pgh, 57x135, Lang ave.....$ 975
Logan A J to M J Hocking, Nov 30, 20th wd, Pgh, 20x100, Oscoola st.... 3,000
Rosenblatt L to S Jacobson, Oct. 24, Jefferson twp, 44x100, Second st..... 1,987
Thoma J C to S W Tufts, Nov 22, 19th wd, Pgh, 51x124, Station st..... 12,000
Thomas D P to R L Mayer, Oct 18, Oakmont, 50x150, Tenth st..... 1,400
Todd Geo A to A J Schmidt, Oct 31, Braddock, 44x66, Moody ave..... 6,500
Williams J H to S W Tufts, Oct 31, 19th wd, Pgh, 30x114, Station st..... 7,500
Warren S H to J H Pitts, Nov 22, Glassport, 50x110, Ohio ave..... 1,200
Rose, Geo to Annie M Cooper, Nov 3, 15th wd, Ally, 32x100, Richey ave... 5,000
Robinson T S to S Silberstein, Nov 2, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x135, Kelly st..... 1,450
Fagan John to S Edwards, Nov 19, 13th wd, Pgh, 15x120, Herron ave..... 1,100
Fagan John to Geo W Thompson, Nov 19, 13th wd, Pgh, 15x126, Herron ave. 1,100
McHugh Frank B to M A Cunningham, Nov 17, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x93, Race st 5,500
Ross G O to A A Spikey, Nov 18, 15th wd, Ally, 50x83, Watson boulevard... 6,350
Morrow J R to D Bergman, Nov 12, 22d wd, Pgh, 50x150, McClure ave..... 3,000
Heckert E B to John Martin, Nov 5, 21st wd, Pgh, 22x110, Carver st..... 5,000
Bradford T B to A D Cowan, Mch 26, Sheraden, 25x100, Glenmawr ave..... 3,500

Has Not Considered Miles.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Gov.-elect William L. Douglass of Massachusetts asked today about the report that Gen. Nelson A. Miles was likely to be appointed adjutant general of his staff, said he had not yet given the matter consideration.

Live Stock Fair Closes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The International Live Stock Exposition of 1904 closed at the union stock yards tonight. The official attendance for the week was 467,022, almost 150,000 in excess of last year.

IS THIS THE LAST OF J. HENRY JAHN?

Many Courtesies Extended to Forger and Embezzler in Criminal Court.

CASES ARE NOLLE PROSSED

John Henry Jahn, forger, embezzler, convicted of assault and battery on a woman, of false pretense, charged with another case of forgery, false pretense and embezzlement; former on woman, charging them with a murder which it was conclusively proved they did not commit, and a litigant whose troubles and those of his patrons extend through much of his business career, was brought from jail, where he is serving a short sentence of six months, and given a seat at the side of the bench in criminal court, instead of the prisoners' dock, as is the custom when ordinary men and women are charged with common misdemeanors.

The occasion was a motion by the district attorney's office to have the remaining cases against John Henry Jahn nolle prossed, as the prosecutors' attorneys declined to try them and requested that this action be taken. The cases were one of embezzlement, made by Dora Asselmeyer; one of false pretense, made by D. F. Smith, one of forgery, made by C. F. Minehart, in which Jahn's stenographer was jointly indicted, and one charging misdemeanor, made by Mrs. Evaline N. Schopfer.

Charges Made Against Jahn.

On the embezzlement charge, Mrs. Dora Asselmeyer charged Jahn with obtaining $200 from her by representing that he was going to use the money toward paying off an indebtedness against her property.

D. F. Smith, who brought the suit charging false pretense, alleged Jahn secured $100 from him by representing that he was going to sell him some furniture he did not intend to sell at all.

The charge of forgery which was nolle prossed was made by C. F. Minehart and included Jahn and Linnie Wolford. The prosecutor alleged Jahn forged his name to a deed for five pieces of property in the Glen Manor plan of lots in Aleppo township. The property in the alleged forged deed was transferred to Linnie Wolford.

The charge of misdemeanor made by Evaline Schopfer charged Jahn with attempting to secure money by blackmail on several occasions. It is claimed the defendant attempted to secure the money by making threats, which he afterward tried to carry out.

Jahn is now serving a six months' sentence in jail, the penalty being given by Judge Ewing. On a charge of forgery, made by John J. Miller, he was sent to jail for three months; on a charge of embezzlement, made by Margaret Spence, he was sent to jail for two months, and on a charge of assault and battery, made by his sister-in-law, Barbara Wigley, he was sent to jail for 30 days. He was also convicted of a charge of forgery, made by Dora Asselmeyer, and a charge of false pretense, but sentence in these cases was suspended by Judge Evans. On a charge of larceny by bailee, made by Evaline Schopfer, a new trial was granted.

Only One Charge to Answer.

After Jahn has served his six months' sentence and has paid his fines and costs he only has one charge to answer, that in which the new trial was granted.

The case of Jahn against Attorney W. M. Price, in which false pretense was charged, was also nolle prossed. The costs were placed on the prosecutor. It was alleged Price secured a judgment note against Jahn for $1,500 with intent to defraud.

Charlotte L. Phillips filed a bill in equity against the Highland Brewing Company, asking for an injunction restraining them from disposing of a $5,000 mortgage she assigned to the company in payment for stock, and praying that the mortgage be reassigned to her. In her bill of complaint she alleges she subscribed for 50 shares of stock at $100 a share on the representation of President E. T. Heineman, who told her that $250,000 worth of stock had been subscribed and the plant would commence operations last January. She avers she has since learned the representations made were false and fraudulent; that but $125,000 worth of stock had been subscribed and that the company was indebted for work and material greatly in excess of the amount due from subscribers. She alleges the company was really insolvent at the time she assigned the mortgage to it.

Receiver Appointed for Company.

Judge Buffington made an order appointing Justus Mulert receiver of the Brewing company against whom a petition in bankruptcy has been filed. Application will be made this week for an order restraining the sale of the property on an execution issued against it.

An answer was filed by the Pittsburgh & Connellsville railroad to the equity suit brought by John F. Miller and C. Miller to restrain the railroad company from closing a township road near Port Perry. The defendant company alleges that the farm of the property in question from its property by several streets and lots and they have no right or interest in a roadway running to the Monongahela river. They further aver that the plaintiffs received damages for the relocating of the road in question, and have no more interest than the general public.

Suits in divorce filed by Mabel E. Darling against Walter J. Darling; Catherine W. Thompson against Col. Elmer E. Thompson, and Beebe Force against Alice Force, each alleging desertion.

Versailles borough entered suit to recover $78 29 from the Central District Printing and Telegraph Company, alleging that the amount was due from a pole tax levied by the borough.

Boy Could Maintain Action.

In an action brought by David Aiken to recover damages from the United States Tube and Iron Company for an injury to a 15-year-old boy, judgment was entered for the plaintiff. The decision in the case was withheld over a question of law as to whether the boy could maintain action. The court decided that he could.

H. C. Clark and Thomas Woodside filed a bill in equity against the Pittsburgh Building Block Company, asking that a receiver be appointed. They are creditors and aver that the company is insolvent.

Clara Freeman entered suit for $5,000 damages against A. L. Christy for alleged false arrest and indictment on a charge of larceny by bailee. She was charged with carrying away from 545 Liberty avenue a computing scale.

A rule was granted to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed for John Orr, Jr. The action was taken on a petition presented by the Valley Lumber Company and R. H. Cunningham & Son, who claim that he is insolvent and in their debt, and has not yet made an assignment. They allege that his real estate has been levied on, and ask a stay of proceedings.

Because the copy of the court's charge in the suit brought by William Sutter against James Stewart has been lost, the case will have to be retried. The suit is an action in casumpsit, and the court ordered a new trial.

An opinion was handed down granting a new trial in the suit of M. K. McMullin & Company against William Reid. The action was brought to recover money alleged to be owing on certain stock transactions, the jury in the case rendering a verdict approximating $67,000.

In quarter sessions court Clyde Stewart was allowed an appeal from the judgment of Alderman Negley, who fined him on a charge of disorderly conduct. The charge was made by Lelia Booke, and a hearing was held Tuesday evening. Stewart alleged the prosecutrix came into his house and began talking to him in a boisterous manner. After he ordered her out of the house, he alleges, she entered suit against him.

Operators Working Overtime in Marion County Development

The most interesting point in the lower southwest fields is the new development west of Maannington, Marion county. The gushers are making a very good record and those who are interested in the development are leaving nothing undone to complete new wells in the shortest possible time. It is the only development that causes any speculation as to what will be the ultimate limits of its producing area. The Trees & Benedum test on the J. L. Holden farm still holds the lead in production. When heard from late yesterday evening it was holding up at 28 barrels an hour. The production of the South Penn Oil Company's No. 2 on the C. S. Pitzer farm for the 24 hours ending at 7 o'clock yesterday morning was 580 barrels and J. P. Carnahan's Nos. 3 and 4 on the Isaac Edaw farm 400 barrels for the same time. The Trees & Benedum No. 2 on the J. L. Holden farm will be due to get the sand next Wednesday and the Delmar Oil Company's No. 2 on the Jack Hays farm a little later in the week. Trees & Benedum are drilling Nos. 2, 3 and 4 and building the rigs for Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 on the J. L. Holden farm. In the fifth sand district, near Fairview, the South Penn's No. 1 on the Andrew Gray farm is holding up at 215 barrels a day from the fifth sand.

On the east side of the Folsom district, Harrison county, the Piney Fork Oil Company's test on the E. D. Orr farm, located near Wallace, produced 95 barrels the first 24 hours. In the Smithfield district, Wetzel county, the South Penn has drilled its No. 3 on the Aldrich Batson farm deeper and got a second pay, increasing its production to 108 barrels a day. The same company's No. 11 on the I. D. Morgan farm is showing for a light pumper in the Gordon and will be given a shot. In the same district the same company has drilled No. 80 on the B. W. Paterson farm 110 feet into the Big Injun and has no oil or gas.

Considerable test work has been started and is ready to start in a number of districts in the lower southwest, but the scarcity of water has proved a great hindrance to pushing new work to completion, and a large amount of work that should have been well under way has been delayed for the same cause. The protracted drought this extended over more than four months and the farmers as well as oil men have experienced the greatest annoyance. In some localities the farmers have been forced to drive their stock many miles to running streams to keep them from famishing. In Church district, Wetzel county, about half the wells that had been started are now shut down for want of water. The Carter Oil Company has completed its No. 6 on the John Maple farm and has a producer good for 35 barrels a day in the Maxon sand. The same company's No. 5 on the L. S. Leezer farm, thought to be dry when drilled through the same formation, has been given a shot and will make a four or five-barrel pumper. In the same district the same company has drilled its test on the T. J. Dawson farm through the Big Injun and found that and the formations above barren. On Big run, Center district, the Philadelphia Company is drilling at 2,500 feet at its test on the W. P. Hubbard farm. On Long Drain run, Clay district, Courtney & McDermott have made a location for a test on the Enix Anderson farm and N. S. Snyder & Co. are rigging up a test on the Peter Kiger farm. On Church run, Church district, the Fisher Oil Company has made the location for a test on the W. C. Goodnight farm and the Carnegie Gas Company has shut down for water at its test on the Elijah Bean farm. On Rush run the Philadelphia Company has a crooked hole at a depth of 3,100 feet at its test on the W. S. Cunningham farm. On Duncard creek, Battelle district, Monongalia county, the Manufacturers Light and Heat Company is due in the sand at a test on the G. S. Liggett farm and the Fisher Oil Company is drilling at 2,000 feet at a test on the Joe Anderson farm, located on Sugar run, Clay district. On Wades run, Cass district, Monongalia county, the Home Gas Company is moving the rig at its test on the Headly heirs' farm and will start a new hole.

On Middle Bowman run, Meade district, Marshall county, the Wheeling Gas Company is starting a second test on the Jacob Neely farm. On Fish creek, in the same district, the same company has made a location on the William Sibert farm. On the left fork of Proctor creek, Proctor district, Wetzel county, the Wheeling Gas Company is drilling a test on the Maria Parsons farm. In the same district the Tri-State Gas Company is drilling tests on the John Trader and H. Smith farms. At the mouth of Rock Riffle run, on Sand Fork creek, Lewis county, the Piney Run Oil and Gas Company is building the rig for a test on the James McDougal farm. Near Annamaria Postoffice, Sheridan district, in the same county, the Carter company is building a rig on the Sommers lands.

On the Ohio side in the shallow sand district on Wolf creek, Washington county, the Pure Oil Company has a good producer at its No. 32 on the H. H. Greenlee farm. The first 18 hours after it was drilled into the pay it produced 200 barrels. In the Marietta district Clarke & Co. have drilled their test on the Smith Bros. farm to a depth of 1,150 feet and have a duster. In the Ravg Run district White & Co. have the rig up for a test on the C. R. McMahan farm. Two miles above the mouth of Bear creek in the Lowell district T. C. Bat & Co. have drilled their second test on the T. C. Bay farm into the 800-foot sand and have a show for a five-barrel pumper. In the Chester Hill district, Morgan county, H. K. Hooster & Co. have completed their No. 8 on the M. Adrain farm and have a duster. In the Macksburg field, Washington county, Ripley Bros. have completed their No. 3 on the Lilly Ripley farm and have a 50-barrel producer in the stray below the 800-foot. This is about one mile southeast of the Dixon farm pool. J. E. Ward has drilled his No. 8 on the C. Schimmel farm into the sand and it produced 35 barrels the first 24 hours. One mile southwest of the Ripley farm the Southern Oil Company has drilled its test on the Hall heirs' farm through the stray sand and has a duster. In the same district the Consolidated Oil and Mining Company has completed its No. 5 on the Hammond Burton farm and has a show for a five-barrel pumper in the Germantown sand.

In the Rinards Mills district, Monroe county, the Fisher Oil Company has completed its No. 4 on the D. M. Biggs farm and it produced 100 barrels the first 48 hours. Near Barnesville, Belmont county, the Ohio Oil Company has completed its test on the Clem Poulton farm and has a light pumper in the Berea grit.

The Oil Market.

The Standard quotes credit balances in the several fields as follows: Pennsylvania, $1 60; Tiona, $1 75; Corning, $1 37; New Castle, $1 47; North Lima, $1 07; South Lima, $1 02; Indiana, $1 00; Somerset, $1 01; Raglan, 80c; Canada, $1 54. The Producers and Refiners Oil Company quotes Pennsylvania crude at $1 60.

Will Lay the Corner Stone.

The corner stone of the new St. Michael's Slavish Catholic school building, Ninth avenue and Liberty street, Homestead, will be laid this afternoon. The new school is one of a group of buildings being erected by the congregation. The other buildings include a convent and a parish home. Completed, the three buildings will cost $50,000.

Sneak Thief Stole $10.

A sneak thief entered the home of Jacob Rushe of Whitaker some time yesterday and stole $10 from a dresser drawer on the second floor of the building. An unsuccessful attempt was made to enter the hardware store of Fulton & Maginni, Braddock. A portion of a panel in a rear door had been chiseled away.

Railroad Officials Agree to Maintain Freight Rates

At a joint meeting yesterday the freight officials of the eastern and western railroads signed an agreement to absolutely maintain tariff rates during 1905. The agreement further provides that any lines, either openly or secretly, cutting the present basis of rates shall not be given any business by the other roads. Imperative orders to maintain rates were given by the presidents of the railroads to the traffic officials. The presidents fear serious trouble would result from an attempt to reduce the wages paid their employes and believe that only by strictly maintaining freight rates can they avert a comparative decrease in earnings. So long as the volume of traffic exceeds that of last year the agreement to maintain rates will be observed, but business should decrease competition probably would result in a reduction of rates. Some reductions of rates may be forced on railroads. At a conference of traffic officials of western railroads many were of the opinion that the interstate commerce commission would order a reduction in the rates on live stock from the southwest and northwest to Chicago and from the southwest to the northwest. The conference was to prepare for a continuation of the investigation of live stock rates.

Railroads Booming Cuba.

The southern roads have started a boom for Cuba through the northern cities. They intend to divert some of the settlers and homeseekers' business from the west and northwest to the "Gem of the Antilles." The campaign for homeseekers has started. A great deal of Cuban descriptive matter is being circulated this fall. The fertility of the soil, the opportunities for investments and the possibilities for any man possessing push and initiative are explained widely.

Will Leave the Panhandle.

H. H. Alkire, assistant fuel clerk in the motive power offices of the Panhandle, has tendered his resignation to accept the position of assistant paymaster in the United States navy. Mr. Alkire returned Friday from Washington, where he was only one in a class of seven who successfully passed the examination for the position. He will have the rank of ensign and will receive his commission in a few days. His successor with the Panhandle has not been announced.

Railroad Notes.

A new suburban train will be put into service tomorrow by the Ft. Wayne road. It will leave Pittsburgh at 5:40 p. m. and go as far as Glenfield, arriving at that point at 6:04. On its return it will leave 6:05 and arrive at Pittsburgh at 6:30.

Delegates left yesterday to attend the annual convention of the International Association of Traveling Passenger Agents to be held in Mexico City December 12.

The officials of the Baltimore & Ohio have completed an inspection of the bridges and buildings in this territory.

KILLED EMPLOYER WHO KEPT THEM FROM FUNERAL

AUGUSTA, GA., Dec. 3.—Guy Reid and John Butler, negroes, at Thomson today confessed the murder of R. G. Story, a prominent planter, whose body was found in a swamp yesterday. They said they killed him because he would not let them leave the cotton field Wednesday to attend a funeral.

Board of Dental Examiners to Meet.

The board of dental examiners of Pennsylvania will conduct examinations simultaneously in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh December 13—15, inclusive. Those desiring papers and particulars should address the Hon. N. C. Schaeffer, secretary dental council, at Harrisburg.

LICENSE TRANSFERS.

Of Twenty Applicants to Sell Liquor But Nine Are Granted—Three Held Over.

Twenty applicants for the transfer of their liquor licenses were before Judges Collier and Macfarlane yesterday morning and only nine of the transfers were granted. Eight were refused and three were held over until next Saturday, when the court will dispose of them.

The successful applicants were: Thomas Black, deceased, Steuben and Amelia streets, Elliott, to Kate J. Black; Jacob A. Young, from 2829 Carson street to 2928 Carson street; Annie Kuse, 816 Fourth avenue, McKeesport, to Savo Hadlin; Louis J. Werner, 914 East street, Allegheny, to John Jethro; W. A. Downing, 5430-5432 Second avenue, to Herman Schwartz; John J. O'Connor, 5400-5402 Butler street, to Henry Feltkamp; George M. Koser, 6000 Center avenue, to P. M. O'Donnell; Pfaff, Barnhart, 742 Island avenue, McKees Rocks, to Lewis C. Hershberger; Bessie R. Giles, 5471 Butler street, to James E. Brockney.

The unsuccessful applicants were: Charles Schafer, 1809 East street, Allegheny, to August Moeller; A. H. Kannafsky, 74-76 Bassett street, Allegheny, to Edward Littner; John L. Schott, 2133 Carson street, to Edward Haas; Anton Pater, 738 Braddock avenue, Braddock, to Stanislaw Reyma; William M. Hughes, Wall avenue, Wall, to Samuel Connors; John Osuari, 1100 Braddock avenue, Braddock, to Frank Spiritowsky; William Aufderheide, 108 South Eighteenth street, to Carl T. Seibert; Bruno Prostararo, 4053 Penn avenue, to Frank S. Neale.

Those held over are: J. P. O'Donnell, 8353 Penn avenue, to 3411 Butler street; George H. Williams, 1314 Wylie avenue, to Charles H. Thomas; Catherine Robe, 601-603 Carson street, to Philip Froehlich.

THERE is little danger of American women becoming a race of invalids so long as the true women of our land believe that the crown of womanhood is motherhood.

There is no nation on earth that can show a finer or more healthful class of women than America. The importance of the care of the womanly health is being daily better understood. "Practice healthful living," says one American mother, "and your children are sure to be healthy and bright." Mothers are bec

STOCK MARKET BUOYANT, U. S. STEEL ISSUES LEADING

The Preferred Advanced to the Highest Price of the Year—Amalgamated Copper Also Strong—Reaction at the Close.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

During the two hours' session on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday the sales reached nearly a million shares. The market opened strong and higher all around and ruled buoyant. United States Steel issues were leaders in the movement, and the preferred made a new high record for the year by advancing to 95½. The common stock rose to 32⅞, its previous high mark, and the sinking fund bonds rallied a point to 94. All these issues closed strong at slight concessions from the highest prices. Amalgamated Copper was another very strong feature, opening a point higher at 82¼, advancing to 82½, and closing at 81⅝, old. The basis of this advance was the announcement that the Boston and Montana Company had declared a dividend of $50 a share, or double its par value. The total dividend amounts to $7,500,000, the bulk of which will go to the Amalgamated Copper Company, which owns the majority of the 150,000 shares. In 1901 the Amalgamated Copper Company offered $400 of its stock, par value $100 each, for each share of Boston & Montana, par value $25, and the majority of the stock was exchanged on those terms. Last year the minority stockholders obtained an injunction restraining the payment of dividends to the Amalgamated, and this litigation shut the Amalgamated out of revenue from this source for a long time, until the courts decided in its favor. The fact that a dividend would be paid was announced a week ago, and was responsible for the earlier advance in Amalgamated stock.

In the railroad list all the high-grade issues opened strong and higher, and a little after the opening Reading, Ontario and Western and Southern Railway became active, advancing sharply. The strength in the southern group of stocks was ostensibly based upon the government's report, issued about 11 o'clock, placing the yield of cotton at 12,162,000 bales. This is the largest crop in the history of the country, exceeding the great yield of 1898. On the announcement of the government's estimate there was a violent break in cotton, amounting to more than ½ cent a pound, the December and January options declining to 8 cents, the lowest of the year, and representing a slump of 9⅝ cents from the record price last spring just before the collapse of the "corner." The decline is expected to be followed by large exports of the staple, and this view of the situation was construed as favorable to the stock market, inasmuch as it will influence sterling exchange in favor of this country and probably be followed by imports of gold.

There was some reaction in the railroad list from the best prices, a considerable amount of profit-taking in Louisville & Nashville wiping out all its previous gain. As a whole, however, the market closed firm at net gains for the day.

Comparing net changes for the week, it is seen that about one-third of the active list closed lower yesterday than a week ago. In no case, however, were the losses severe, while the gains in some parts of the list were noteworthy. The largest advance, it will be noted, were in the high-class anthracite stocks, Louisville & Nashville, Illinois Central, Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio. The advance in United States Steel common amounted to 3 per cent, and is perhaps the most significant of all, first on account of the amount of the stock outstanding and second because of the sentimental effect which this stock has upon the market as a whole. In the following table the final sales on Saturday, November 26, are compared with the final sales yesterday and the net changes noted:

	Nov. 26.	Dec. 3.	Ch'ge.
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	89½	88⅝	— ⅞
Do preferred	103½	103½	0
American Cotton Oil	54½	53½	— 1
Do preferred	95	94	— 1
American Sugar	143⅝	*148⅝	+ 5
Do preferred	139	*137	— 1½
American Locomotive	35⅜	34⅞	— ½
Do preferred	104½	103	— 1½
American Car Foundry	32⅝	34½	+ 1⅝
Do preferred	91	93	+ 2
Amalgamated Copper	80⅝	82	+ 1⅜
Am. Smelting & Ref	81⅜	81⅝	+ ⅛
American Ice	34½	38⅝	— ⅝
Do preferred	87½	88½	+ ⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	96⅜	96⅝	+ ⅜
Do preferred	93½	95	+ 1⅝
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	68	68	0
Canadian Pacific	134½	134½	— ½
Chicago & Great Western	21½	21⅝	+ ⅛
Consolidated Gas	215	215	0
Chesapeake & Ohio	50	50⅜	+ ⅜
Chicago & Alton	40	44	+ 4
Chicago & Northwestern	200	211⅜	+ 11⅜
Colorado Fuel & Iron	52⅜	56½	+ 4⅛
Corn Products	24	22⅞	— 1⅛
Do preferred	80½	80	— ½
Colorado Southern	23⅜	22½	— ⅞
Do 1st preferred	58	58½	— ½
Do 2d preferred	35⅜	35½	— ¼
Del., Lack. & Western	363½	343	+ 9½
Delaware & Hudson	186	187½	+ 1½
Erie	40⅜	39⅞	— ½
Do 1st preferred	74	73⅞	— ⅛
Do 2d preferred	57	57½	+ ½
Illinois Central	153¼	158	+ 4¾
Iowa Central	30⅝	30¼	— ⅜
Do preferred	56⅜	56	— ⅜
International Paper	19¼	20¼	+ 1
Do preferred	77¾	77⅞	— ½
Louisville & Nashville	139½	146½	+ 7
Manhattan	167¼	168	— ¼
Missouri Pacific	108⅜	110⅞	+ 2½
Mis., Kan. & Texas	34⅜	33⅝	— 1
Do preferred	63½	63⅛	— ⅝
Metropolitan	122⅝	124½	+ 1⅞
Do securities	80⅜	82¼	+ 1⅞
Mexican Central	23	22¼	— ¾
National Lead	20⅞	24⅝	—
Do preferred	97	97⅝	+ ⅝
National Biscuit	56	56½	+ ½
New York Central	146⅜	146⅜	+ 4¼
New Jersey Central	190	191	+ 1
New York Airbrake	164	164	0
N. Y., Ontario & Western	42⅝	44¼	+ 1⅞
Norfolk & Western	75⅛	76	+ ⅞
North American Co	104½	104½	0
Peoples Gas	108⅝	111⅝	+ 2⅞
Pacific Mail	45	47¾	+ 2¾
Pressed Steel Car	40¼	41¾	+ 1
Do preferred	90	91½	+ 1½
Pennsylvania Railroad	136⅝	139	+ 2¼
Railway Springs	33¼	32½	— ¾
Do preferred	90	92⅜	+ 2⅜
Reading	77⅝	80	+ 2⅜
Do 1st preferred	87½	89	+ 1½
Do 2d preferred	79⅝	82	+ 2⅜
Rock Island	37	36¼	— ¾
Do preferred	85½	85⅜	+ ⅛
Republic Iron	18	17⅝	— ⅜
Do preferred	71½	71	— ½
Southern Pacific	68	66⅜	— 1⅝
Southern Railway	37⅝	36⅜	— 1
Do preferred	95½	96¼	+ ⅞
St. Paul	174½	175½	+ 1¼
St. Louis & Southwestern	25½	27¼	+ 1⅝
Do preferred	52½	58⅜	+ 6¼
Tenn. Coal & Iron	76⅜	76½	— ⅛
Texas & Pacific	37	37¼	+ ¼
Toledo, St. Louis & W	26½	30⅝	+ 4⅛
Do preferred	53	55½	+ 2½
United States Steel	29⅜	32⅞	+ 3
Do preferred	94⅞	95	+ ⅛
Do 2ds 5 per cent bonds	95⅝	96¾	+ 1⅛
Union Pacific	116½	115⅝	— ⅞
Do preferred	94½	95¼	+ 1
United States Rubber	34	33¼	— ¾
Do preferred	93	93½	+ ½
United States Leather	14⅞	14⅜	— ⅝
Do preferred	95¼	98⅛	+ 2⅞
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe	16½	20½	+ 4
Do preferred	74⅜	80	+ 5⅛
Wabash	23⅝	23⅞	+ ⅛
Do preferred	46⅝	46⅞	+ ⅛
Western Union Telegraph	92⅞	92⅞	+ ⅛
Wisconsin Central	24	22½	— 1½
Do preferred	48	47⅞	— ⅛

*Ex-dividend.

The weekly bank statement was variously construed by the street, but it cannot be said to have had any effect upon the stock market, because it is fully recognized that the weekly report of the associated banks is not a good criterion of actual conditions in the New York money market. Loans decreased $11,818,000; cash revenues decreased $8,925,000, whereas an increase was foreshadowed in the preliminary estimates, and surplus reserves increased $157,700. As proving that the bank statement does not reflect actual conditions, the fact may be cited that during the last seven weeks, covering a period of almost unprecedented activity in the stock market and of a growing demand for industrial and commercial expansion, the loans of the banks have decreased $55,000,000, the cash revenues have decreased only $23,000,000, despite heavy exports of gold, and the surplus reserve has decreased only $4,000,000. Meanwhile the rate for call loans has risen from 1½ per cent to 4 per cent. This rise in rates has no doubt caused some withdrawals of trust company deposits from the banks and the loaning of the funds by the trust companies. The total surplus reserve today stands at $8,539,075, as compared with $6,305,300 a year ago. The changes in detail for the last week were as follows:

		Changes.	
Loans	$1,000,602,900	Dec.	$11,818,000
Specie	212,561,100	Dec.	5,376,700
Legal tenders	77,947,500	Inc.	1,470,800
Deposits	1,127,878,100	Dec.	16,334,400
Circulation	42,120,500	No change.	
Reserve held	290,508,600	Dec.	3,925,900
Required reserve	281,969,525	Dec.	4,083,950
Surplus reserve	8,539,075	Inc.	157,700
Surplus in 1903	6,305,300	Inc.	180,150
Surplus in 1902	3,973,750	Dec.	5,812,566

On the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange on Saturday trading was extremely active, but more than half the total dealings were again contributed by Pittsburgh Coal. More than 5,000 shares of the common stock changed hands at 23½ to 23⅝, the latter the highest of the year, the market closing at 23⅝ bid. United States Steel common and preferred were also active and closed at the best. Crucible Steel was less active than on any previous day of the week and closed nominally unchanged. Westinghouse Electric closed a fraction lower and the remainder of the list unchanged. Bessemer pig iron, January delivery, sold at $17, and 500 tons for February delivery sold at the same price, an advance of 50 cents a ton.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday were as follows:

10:00 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

100	P. Coal com.	23½	
400	do	23½	
20	do	23⅝	
200	do	23⅞	
50	do	23⅞	
15	do	23⅞	
100	do	23⅞	
100	do	23⅝	
300	do	23⅜	
50	do	23⅜	
50	do	23⅝	
50	do	23⅝	
10	Crucible com.	10	
10	do	9⅞	
70	do	9⅞	
50	M. L. & H.	33⅜	
15	do	33½	
15	do	33½	
$10,000	U. S. Steel 5. f. 5s	92⅜	
10	W. Glass pfd.	48½	
$4000	Brewing 6s	115	
100	P. Coal pfd.	85⅜	
100	do	85⅝	

10:30 A. M. to 11:00 A. M.

10	U. S. Stl. com.	32⅝	
20	do	32½	
100	do	32⅝	
50	do	32⅝	
200	do	32⅜	
100	do	32⅜	
100	do	32⅜	
15	W. Glass pfd.	48	
10	Electric 2nds.	91½	
100	do	91½	
20	Sewer Pipe	26	
100	P. Coal com.	23⅜	
50	do	23⅜	
50	do	23⅜	
100	P. Coal pfd.	85⅜	
200	do	85⅜	

11:00 A. M. to 11:30 A. M.

2	W. Airbrake	148	
40	Crucible pfd.	49¼	
10	do	49⅝	
7	do	49⅞	
20	M. L. & H.	33⅝	
20	do	33⅝	
20	do	33⅝	
100	do	33⅝	
100	do	33⅝	
200	do	33⅝	
100	do	33⅝	
10	F. Proof pfd.	33½	
15	do	33½	
10	do	33½	
10	do	33⅜	
10	do	33⅜	
33	do	33⅜	
200	P. Coal com.	23⅜	
200	do	23⅜	
50	do	23⅜	
50	Switch com.	84½	
80	do	84½	
10	do	84½	
33	do	84¾	
200	P. Coal com.	23⅝	
200	do	23⅝	
50	do	23⅝	
200	do	23⅝	
100	do	23⅝	
400	do	23⅜	
25	Brewing pfd.	48⅜	
100	U. S. Stl. pfd.	95⅜	
100	do	95⅜	
10	M. L. & H.	33½	
15	Ally. Val. pfd.	31	
10	U. S. Stl. com.	32⅝	
25	do	32⅝	
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10	do	32⅝	
25	do	32⅝	
50	P. Coal pfd.	85⅜	
100	do	85⅜	
50	P. Coal com.	23⅝	
150	do	23⅝	
50	do	23⅝	
20	P. Proof pfd.	33⅜	
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DAMAGE BY DROUGHT HOLDS WHEAT FIRM

State Crop Report of Ohio Is Pessimistic—Corn, Oats and Provisions Are Off.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Official confirmation of drought damage in Ohio as shown by the state crop report emphasized strength in wheat here today. At the close the May delivery was up ¾c. Corn is down ¼@¾c. Oats are off ½c and provisions 2½@7½c.

As a result of bullish foreign news the wheat market opened firm with May up ¼c to ¼@¾c at $1 10¾ to $1 10¾@1 11. Among the factors that created strength abroad were indications of a decrease in world's shipments. Firmer was asserted to be on an importing basis and was reported as having recently been a buyer of Indian and Australian cargoes. A more important influence was a statement that all offers of Argentina wheat for January and February shipment had been withdrawn. For the moment, however, the domestic situation appeared rather less bullish, snow having fallen in some sections of the winter wheat country. Receipts in the northwest also were somewhat larger than last week. In consequence many traders were inclined to ignore foreign conditions and were quite liberal sellers early. The result was a reaction in prices. May declining to $1 10⅝. But the weakness was only temporary, a rally quickly occurring as soon as selling pressure subsided. The predominating tone of advices from the southwest today was decidedly in favor of the bulls. The anxiety regarding the winter wheat crop was increased by the Ohio report, which made the condition of growing wheat in that state 75, a loss of 12 points within a month. This showing was quite enough to create considerable apprehension regarding the general effect of the prevailing dry weather. Throughout the last half of the session sentiment in wheat was bullish and prices gradually advanced. The market closed practically at the highest point of the day. After touching $1 10⅝, May closed at $1 10¼@1 10⅝. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 108,100 bushels. Primary receipts were 963,000 bushels, compared with 979,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 761 cars, against 730 last week and 676 a year ago.

Expectations of enlarged receipts in the near future was the cause of persistent selling of May and December corn, and notwithstanding the firmness of wheat the market showed considerable weakness. Another depressing factor was the excellent quality of arrivals. Out of 373 cars received today, 233 cars graded No. 3 or better and 6 were of contract grade. A revised estimate by the director of the weather and crop service of Iowa showing an increase of 25,000,000 bushels in the total crop of the state was an additional bear influence. May opened unchanged to a shade higher at 45⅝c to 45¾@45⅝c, sold off to 45¼c and closed at 45⅝@45¼c.

Influenced by weakness of corn, a bear raid was made on the oats market, resulting in a moderate decline in prices. May opened a shade to ¼c lower at 31¼c to 31½@31¼c, sold between 30¾c and 31¼c and closed at 31c. Local receipts were 70 cars.

Profit-taking by some of yesterday's buyers caused an easier tone in provisions. Prospects of lower prices for corn was an influence contributing to the weakness. At the close May pork was off 7½c at $13 12½@13 15. Lard and ribs were each down 2½c at $7 17½ and $6 82½, respectively.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 76 cars; corn, 458 cars; oats, 92 cars; hogs, 44,000 head.

The leading futures, reported by John D. Armstrong & Co., members of the Chicago board of trade, Farmers Bank building, are as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2.					
Dec. ..	1 09½	1 09¾	1 08¾	1 09¾	1 09½
May ..	1 11	1 11⅝	1 10⅜	1 11⅛	1 10⅝
July ..	99½	99½	99	99½	99¼
CORN,					
No. 2.					
Dec. ..	48½	48½	47⅞	47⅞	48⅛
May ..	45⅝	45⅝	45¼	45½	45⅝
July ..	45⅝	45¾	45½	45½	45⅝
OATS,					
No. 2.					
Dec. ..	29¼	29¼	29	29¼	29¼
May ..	31¼	31¼	30⅞	31	31¼
July ..	31¼	31¼	30⅞	30⅝	31¼
MESS					
PORK.					
Jan. ..	12 97½	12 97½	12 82½	12 85	12 97½
May ..	13 22½	13 22½	13 10	13 15	13 22½
LARD.					
Jan. ..	7 00	7 02½	6 97½	6 97½	7 02½
May ..	7 20	7 20	7 15	7 17½	7 20
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan. ..	6 62½	6 62½	6 60	6 62½	6 55
May ..	6 82½	6 85	6 80	6 82½	6 85

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour steady; winter patents, $5 10@5 20; straights, $4 80@5 00; spring patents, $4 40@5 40; straights, $4 80@4 90; bakers, $3 60@3 90. No. 2 spring wheat, $1 08@1 15. No. 3, $1 00@1 12. No. 2 red, $1 12¾@1 15. No. 2 corn, 47½c; No. 2 yellow, 48c. No. 2 oats, 29c; No. 3 white, 30½c; No. 2 rye, 74c; good feeding barley, 38c; fair to choice malting, 43@46c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 15; No. 1 northwestern, $1 23; prime timothy seed, $2 70; mess pork, per bbl, $11 50@11 55; lard, per 100 lbs, $6 97½; short ribs sides (loose), $6 62½@6 75; short clear sides (boxed), $6 87½@7 00; whisky, basis of high wines, $1 24; clover, contract grade, $12 20.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	29,600	16,000
Wheat, bu	35,000	56,300
Corn, bu	438,200	245,300
Oats, bu	137,800	88,300
Rye, bu		700
Barley, bu	87,500	21,900

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Flour—Receipts, 16,159 bbls.; exports, 7,694 bbls.; sales, 5,200 pkgs. Market dull and featureless. Minnesota patent, $5 55@6 10; Minnesota bakers', $4 40@4 75; winter patents, $5 50@5 90; winter straights, $5 25@5 45; winter extras, $3 65@4 30; winter low grades, $3 45@4 10. Rye flour firm; sales, 250 bbls.; fair to good, $4 50@4 54; choice to fancy, $4 75@5 00. Buckwheat flour quiet, $2 15@2 25 per 100 lbs. Cornmeal steady; yellow western, $1 15@1 15, city, $1 15@1 18, kiln dried, $3 00@3 20. Rye nominal. Barley quiet; feeding, 44½c c. i. f. New York; malting, 46@52c c. i. f. Buffalo. Wheat—Receipts, 84,000 bu.; exports, 23,731 bu.; sales, 2,360,000 bu. futures. Spot steady. No 2 red, $1 20¼ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1 21⅝ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, $1 05 f. o. b. afloat. Very cold weather west with little or no precipitation led to further strength in wheat today. Shorts were also alarmed by the prospects for lighter world's shipments and the firm cables. Later the price yielded to realizing and closed partly ¼c higher. Sales included No. 2 red, May, $1 12⅛@1 13 1-16, closed $1 12⅞; July, $1 00⅝@1 01, closed $1 03⅜; December, $1 17⅛@1 17 5-16, closed $1 17¼. Corn—Receipts, 13,975 bu.; exports, 2,188 bu.; sales, 25,000 bu. futures, 120,000 bu. spot. Spot barely steady. No 2, 46c nominal elevator and 54½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 54¼c; No. 2 white, 56c. Options were quiet and barely steady owing to favorable weather conditions. Closed ¼@½c lower. May, 51½@51¾c, closed 51½c; December, 57@57½c, closed 57c. Oats—Receipts, 127,500 bu.; exports, 105 bu. Spot dull. Mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 34½@35½c; natural white, 30 to 32 lbs., 36@37c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 37@39½c. Options nominal. Feed steady; spring bran, $20 00; middlings, $19 00; city, $20 00@27 50.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Dec. 3.—Close: Wheat—No. 2 red cash elevator, $1 11½; December, $1 10½; May, $1 13¼@1 13¾; No. 2 hard, $1 09@1 12. Corn—No. 2 cash nominal; December, 44¾c; May, 43¼c. Oats—No. 2 cash, 31c; December, 29¾c; May, 31½c; No. 2 white, 33½c.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 3.—Wheat—No. 1 northern, $1 13; No. 2 northern, $1 08@1 10; May, $1 11¼@1 11⅝ asked. Rye—No. 1, 80@81c. Barley—No. 2, 54; sample, 56@59c. Corn—No. 3, 46@47; May, 45⅝@45½c bid.

DULUTH, MINN., Dec. 3.—Close: Wheat—No. 1 northern, $1 13; No. 2 northern, $1 05; December, $1 13; May, $1 14½.

Turpentine and Rosin.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 3.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 46c. Rosin firm at $2 45 bid. Tar firm at $1 80. Crude turpentine firm at $2 30@3 00.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 3.—Turpentine and rosin, nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 3.—Turpentine firm, 47¼c. Rosin firm; quote: A, B, C, $2 50; D, $2 52½; E, $2 55; F, $2 60; G, $2 65; H, $2 80; I, $3 25; K, $3 90; M, $4 30; N, $4 50; W G, $4 75; W W, $5 10.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con.	.25	Little Chief	.05
Alice	.60	Ontario	3.50
Bresce	.13	Ophir	2.45
*Brunswick Con.	.18	*Phoenix	.17
Comstock Tunnel	.06	Potosi	.16
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.80	Savage	.27
Horn Silver	1.45	Sierra Nevada	.45
Iron Silver	2.05	Small Hopes	.26
Leadville Con.	.02	Standard	1.60

*Offered.

Imports and Exports.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Total imports of dry-goods and general merchandise at the port of New York for the week ending today were valued at $12,649,125; exports of specie from New York for the week were $1,053,000 gold and $338,074 silver; imports of specie at New York during the week were $8,370 silver and $617,769 gold.

The Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Cotton futures closed barely steady. December, 7.91c; January, 7.80c; February, 8.10c; March, 8.20c; April, 8.25c; May, 8.31c; June, 8.32c; July, 8.35c; August, 8.23c. Spot closed quiet, 40 points decline. Middling uplands, 8.60c; mid gulf, 8.86c. Sales none.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

PITTSBURGH UNION STOCK YARDS.
Saturday, Dec. 3, 1904.

Cattle—Supply light and market steady. Choice, 1,400 to 1,500 pounds, $5 50@5 75; prime, 1,300 to 1,400 pounds, $5 20@5 40; good, 1,200 to 1,300 pounds, $4 65@5 10; tidy, 1,000 to 1,150 pounds, $4 25@4 60; common, 700 to 900 pounds, $2 00@3 00; choice heifers, $3 50@4 00; common to good, $2 00@3 25; common to good fat bulls, $2 00@3 25; good fresh cows and springers, $40 00@60 00; common to fair, $20 00@35 00.

Sheep and Lambs—Supply light and market steady. Prime wethers, 95 to 100 pounds, $4 30@4 50; good mixed, 85 to 90 pounds, $4 00@4 25; fair mixed, 75 to 80 pounds, $3 40@3 75; common, $1 00@2 00; lambs, $4 00@6 25; veal calves, $7 00@7 75; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

Hogs—Receipts, 40 double-decks; market active. Prime heavy, $4 70@4 75; medium, $4 65@4 70; heavy Yorkers, $4 65; light Yorkers, $4 60@4 65; pigs, $4 40@4 60; roughs, $4 00@4 50; stags, $3 00@3 50.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,100 head, including 200 head southerns; market steady; choice export and dressed beef steers, $5 00@5 25; fair to good, $3 50@5 00; western fed steers, $3 50@5 50; stockers and feeders, $2 50@4 00; southern steers, $2 50@4 25; southern cows, $1 50@3 25; native cows, $1 50@3 75; native heifers, $2 50@3 00; bulls, $2 00@3 50; calves, $2 50@6 25; receipts for the week, 55,500 head. Hogs—Receipts, 4,700 head; strong 5c higher; top, $4 70; bulk of sales, $4 35@4 65; heavy, $4 60@4 70; packers, $4 50@4 65; pigs and lights, $4 00@4 50; receipts for the week, 77,200 head. Sheep—Receipts, 250 head; market unchanged; native lambs, $4 50@6 00; native wethers, $4 25@4 75; native ewes, $4 00@4 50; western lambs, $4 50@6 00; western sheep, $4 25@5 00; western yearlings, $3 75@4 40; stockers and feeders, $2 50@4 25; receipts for the week, 27,800.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 400 head; market steady; good to prime steers, $6 10@7 25; poor to medium, $3 75@6 00; stockers and feeders, $2 35@4 50; cows, $1 50@4 10; heifers, $2 00@5 00; canners, $1 35@2 40; bulls, $2 00@4 25; calves, $3 50@7 00; western steers, $3 50@5 00. Hogs—Receipts, 22,000 head; market strong; mixed and butchers, $4 45@4 70; good to choice heavy, $4 60@4 72½; rough heavy, $4 40@4 55; light, $4 45@4 60; bulk of sales, $4 60@4 55. Sheep—Receipts, 3,000 head; sheep steady; lambs strong; good to choice wethers, $4 40@5 00; fair to choice mixed, $3 50@4 50; native lambs, $4 50@6 15.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Beeves—Receipts, none; dressed beef unchanged at 7@9½c a pound. For native sides; cables steady; exports, 500 head cattle, 60 head sheep and 820 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 118 head, all westerns; feeling steady; city dressed veals steady at 7½@8c a pound. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 866 head; sheep steady; lambs firm to 10c higher; sheep sold at $4 00@4 30 the 100 pounds; lambs, $6 40@6 50; dressed mutton steady at 5½@8c the pound; dressed lambs at 8@9½c the pound. Hogs—Receipts, 3,673 head; feeling nominally lower.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 3.—Hogs active and 5c higher; butchers, $4 60@4 65; common, $3 50@4 45. Cattle steady; fair to good shippers, $4 10@4 75; common, $2 00@2 25. Sheep strong at $3 50@6 00.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 16@20c; dairies, 21@22c. Eggs firm at mark; cases included, 19½@24c; firsts, 24½c; prime firsts, 26½c; extras, 28½c. Cheese steady at 11@12c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—Butter firm and ½@1c higher; extra western creamery, 27c; nearby prints, 30c. Eggs firm and in good demand; nearby fresh, 34c at mark; western fresh, 33@34c. Cheese firm and in fair demand; full creamery fancy, 11¾c; choice, 11¼@11½c; fair to good, 10¾@11c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Butter strong; receipts, 4,328 packages; street price, extra creamery, 27c; official price, creamery, common to extra, 17@27c; state dairy, common to extra, 15@25c. Cheese firm, unchanged; receipts, 2,163 boxes; weekly exports, 2,877 boxes. Eggs strong; receipts, 6,449 packages; western, average best, 30c; southerns, 22@30c.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Today's metal markets were quiet, with prices holding about steady at Friday's basis. Copper was quoted at $14 87½@15 12½; electrolytic at $14 75@15 00; casting at $14 50@15 75. Tin barely steady, influenced by prospective heavy shipments from straits. Spot, $29 25@29 75. Lead quoted at $4 00@4 70. Spelter quoted at $5 75@5 87½. Iron unchanged in price and as to the general situation.

The Wool Market.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The arrivals of wool for the first series of 1905 auction sales amount to 22,043 bales, including 7,500 bales forwarded direct to spinners. The imports for the week were as follows: New South Wales, 10,881 bales; Queensland, 1,702; Victoria, 2,024; South Australia, 90; Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 373, and various, 1,105.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remained comparatively easy at 5@6 per cent on call and time loans. The steady increase reported in the supply of eastern exchange reflects local profit-taking in the New York stock market, and this has had much to do with producing easy financial conditions here. There was a notable increase in bank exchanges, as will be seen in the comparative figures of the Pittsburgh clearing house:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Yesterday	$ 8,504,416 47	$ 1,092,601 68
For the week	40,686,658 55	11,135,881 57
Previous week	42,175,044 12	7,205,237 37

Compared with the corresponding week in previous years the exchanges were as follows:

Week ending—	
December 3, 1904	$40,686,658 55
December 5, 1903	36,859,275 53
December 6, 1902	38,750,048 71
December 7, 1901	41,968,301 04
December 8, 1900	32,737,403 13
Total to date—	
1904	$1,886,103,001 07
1903	2,220,350,326 33
1902	2,01 1,567,770 08
1901	1,816,283,681 02
1900	1,510,206,806 05

Foreign Money Markets.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Owing to the ease of money discounts were weak in the market today. Trading on the stock exchange was dull on profit-taking. Consols were easier. Americans opened steady and rallied to a fraction over parity. A moderate amount of business was transacted. Baltimore & Ohio and Louisville & Nashville were the features. Prices closed steady. Grand Trunk improved at the opening, but afterward was irregular. Japanese hardened. Imperial Japanese government 6s of 1904 were quoted at 95. Consols for money, 87⅞; consols for account, 88⅛; bar silver steady at 27 7-16d an ounce; the rate of discount for short bills is 2⅞@3 per cent; the rate of discount for three months' bills is 2⅞@2 15-16 per cent.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—Trading on the bourse today was calm and prices were steady. Rio Tinto gained 19 points. Russian Imperial 4s were quoted at 84.10 and Russian bonds of 1904 at 102. The private rate of discount was 2 5-16 per cent. Three per cent rentes, 98 francs 77½ centimes for the account; exchange on London 25 francs 16 centimes for checks.

BERLIN, Dec. 3.—Prices on the bourse today were firm and higher throughout, partially due to the news from London that the German, British, French and Belgian steel rail mills have signed a price agreement. Exchange on London, 20 mars 38¾, pigs, for checks; discount rates, short bills, 3 per cent; three months' bills, 3¼ per cent.

New York Clearing House.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans	$1,090,602,900	Dec.	$11,818,600
Deposits	1,127,878,100	Dec.	16,334,400
*Circulation	42,126,500		
Legal tenders	77,947,500	Inc.	1,470,500
Specie	212,861,100	Dec.	5,396,700
Reserve	290,508,600	Dec.	3,925,900
Reserve required	281,969,525	Dec.	4,083,900
Surplus	8,539,075	Inc.	157,700
Ex-U.S. deposits	14,372,375	Inc.	167,550

*Circulation same as last week, no increase or decrease.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balances, $142,244,526; gold, $34,924,082; silver, $8,160,587; United States notes, $4,093,262; treasury notes of 1890, $56,966; national bank notes, $12,919,848; total receipts this day, $1,629,493; total receipts this month, $5,349,895; total receipts this year, $237,951,845; total expenditures this day, $1,300,000; total expenditures this month, $5,620,000; total expenditures this year, $264,153,547; deposits in national banks, $117,905,852.

Banks and the Treasury.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—In redemption of checks drawn by depositors of gold at the Seattle assay office, today's official records show that the sub-treasury paid out yesterday $2,423, against $12,072 last week. Total payment by government to New York banks for the day, $3,500,000. Payment by banks to government, $3,705,000. Balance on the day's transactions, $145,000, paid by banks to government, against $279,000 similarly paid a week ago. Included in the foregoing summary is $300,000 deposited by banks with the sub-treasury for payment at interior points.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Money on call nominal. No loans. Time loans firm; 60 days, 90 days and six months, 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4@4¾ per cent; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86.50 for demand and at $4 83.75@4 83.80 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4 84½@4 87½; commercial bills, $4 83@4 83½; bar silver, 59½c; Mexican dollars, 47¾c; government bonds steady; railroad bonds firm.

BANK STATEMENT.

Week's Changes in Cash Holdings of Institutions Figured Out from New York Association's Report.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Noteworthy changes from last Saturday in cash holdings of institutions, figured out for The Sunday Gazette from this afternoon's bank statements, are as follows:

	Increase.	Decrease.
Bank of New York	$ 394,000	
Manhattan Co.		$ 471,000
Merchants' National		105,000
Mechanics National		642,000
Bank of America	884,000	
National City		1,132,000
Chemical National		273,000
American Exchange	2,155,000	
Commerce		1,113,000
Mercantile National		528,000
North America	124,000	
Hanover National		502,000
Corn Exchange		234,000
Importers & Traders		419,000
National Park		2,825,000
Fourth National		478,000
First National	328,000	
Chase National		571,000

Important changes in the loan accounts were as follows:

	Increase.	Decrease.
Bank of New York		$ 774,000
Manhattan Co.		120,000
Merchants' National		354,000
Mechanics' National	$ 486,000	
Bank of America	527,000	
National City	2,380,000	
Chemical National	114,000	
American Exchange	1,030,000	
Commerce		5,170,000
Mercantile National	139,000	
North America		599,000
Hanover National		1,208,000
Corn Exchange	2,000	
Importers & Traders		128,000
National Park		4,028
Fourth National	393,000	
First National		4,795,000
Chase National		1,428,000
Lincoln National	481,000	
Seaboard National		344,000

FINANCIAL AND TRADE NOTES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—National bank notes received today for redemption, $1,050,494. Government receipts from internal revenue, $782,880. Customs, $758,122. Miscellaneous, $108,490. Expenditures, $1,300,000.

Excitement in the Mill.

In February, White, Smith, Jones and Davis, friends, all employed in the same mill had saved $700 each; some of which they carried in their pockets, the balance they left in their homes. About this time Smith received a small booklet called "THRIFT." He read it and showed it to his friends. They all read and discussed it together. Smith thought it was all right, but would lend his money at 4 per cent. Davis said, "It reads well, but I'll keep my money where it is, and I'll know where to find it." White said: "It's sound advice, but I am afraid. I'll deposit my money at 2 per cent so I can draw it any time." Jones said: "It contains sensible suggestions. If you don't mind I'll put this booklet in my pocket and look it up.

A day or two after Jones dropped into the office from which the booklet had been received and inquired for the broker. After chatting for a few minutes, said he had $700 and asked the broker what he would advise him to do with it. The broker said: "I don't know what is best for you to do, but if it was my money I'd put it in "GROWING INVESTMENT," naming a stock that was selling around 25 and paying dividends. He said: "You can buy 28 shares outright, or buy 100 shares on margin." After thinking the matter over, he bought 100 shares. For the next few days he felt very sober about it, but when the stock began to move up he began to whistle and kept whistling at such a rate that it excited the curiosity of his friends and associates and they insisted on knowing the reason. His reply was "THRIFT. Make your money work."

After relating his experience in looking it up all agreed to compare notes Saturday, December 3.

In the meantime Jones sold his stock, got a check for the proceeds. The net results compare as follows:

Smith, $700 at 4 per cent	$ 721 00
Davis, $700, keeps his	700 00
White, $700 at 2 per cent	710 50
Jones, $700 "growing investment"	2,713 00

They all shouted in chorus "We'd whistle, too, if we had a GROWING INVESTMENT. Never heard of it before, where did you get it?"

See Black, managing director of Pittsburgh Finance Company, 204-205-206 Columbia Building, Fourth avenue, member of the Pittsburgh stock exchange.

SALES FOR THE WEEK.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange for the week ending December 3, 1904, were as follows:

Shares.		High.	Low.	Last Sales.	Change.
327	Allv. Val. pfd.	31	30	31	—½
50	Amal. Copper	80½	80½	80½	—½
8579	Brewing	27½	26⅝	27⅝	+1¼
910	Do preferred	46⅝	46	46⅜	+⅝
1878	Cons. Ice	10	8½	8½	+⅛
115	Do preferred	37	37	37	0
6996	Crucible Steel	10	9⅜	9⅝	—⅜
3998	Do preferred	49½	48½	*49⅜	+⅛
4882	Fire Proof	12	11	11⅜	—⅛
3101	Do preferred	34⅛	33¾	33⅝	—⅛
15	H.-W.R. com	9¾	9¾	9¾	+¼
50	Luster Mining	12½	12⅜	12⅜	—⅛
1375	Mfrs. L. & H.	39⅝	38⅝	39½	+1⅛
175	Marsden	4¾	4½	4½	—⅛
1	Monon. Water	37	37	37	+2
100	N. Brewst pfd.	†115	115	115	+8¾
380	Ohio Fuel	42	41⅝	41⅝	—⅜
300	Phila. Co.	41⅜	40⅝	40⅞	—⅛
76	Do preferred	46⅜	46⅛	46⅝	+⅛
35	P. & L. E.	150	150	150	—00
21902	Pgh. Coal	23⅞	21¾	22⅝	+1⅝
15915	Do preferred	84½	80	83⅝	+4
823	P. Oil & Gas	77	75	75	—2
742	P. Plate Glass	†125⅝	120¾	125	+5
5	Pl. Val. Trac.	28	28	28	+½
25	P. S. Car pfd.	89⅜	89¾	89⅝	+10⅞
60	River Coal	10½	10½	10½	+½
490	Do preferred	32	30⅜	32	+2
620	Sewer Pipe	26½	26	26	+⅛
106	S. U. Cable	200	200	200	0
4906	Tonopah Ext.	2.22	2.11	2.22	+.12
100	Texas Pacific	57⅜	57⅜	57⅜	—⅛
1326	Union Switch.	84½	83¾	84	—0
205	U. S. Glass	48	48	48	—⅜
9592	U. S. Steel	32⅜	29⅞	32⅜	+3
3488	Do preferred	95⅜	92⅜	95	0
214	W. Airbrake	151	*148	*148	—3
3092	W. Elec. 2nds.	92	90⅜	91⅝	+1⅜
156	W. Glass pfd.	50	48	48	—2
	BANK STOCKS.				
135	Gomanors. Tr.	210	210	210	+10
56	Federal N. B.	200	200	200	+10
20	Frank. S. & T.	52	52	52	+2
75	G.-Am. S. & T.	160	160	160	+2
4	Home Trust	124½	124½	124½	—½
52	Int. S. & T.	22	22	22	+2
105	Iron City Tr.	141	140	140	0
20	Monon. N. B.	305	305	305	+5
60	Real Est. Tr.	265	264½	264½	+4½
93172					
	BONDS.				
$ 17,000	Brewing 6s	115	114¾	115	+¼
20,000	Chi. Trac. 5s	112¾	112¼	112¼	
1,000	H.-W. R. 5s	97½	97½	97½	—2½
25,000	P., B. & L. E. cons. 5s	†116	†116	†116	....
1,000	P., S. & L. E. cons. 5s	117	117	117	....
59,000	P., McK. & Y. 6s	100	100	100	0
1,000	Riv. Coal 6s	110½	110¼	110¼	+¼
1,000	Sewer P. 6s	98½	98½	98½	0
10,000	U. S. Steel s. f. 5s	92⅜	92¾	92¾	+¼
$135,000	PIG IRON WTS.				
10 D—	Jan. delivery	17.00	16.50	17.00	+.50
10 D—	Feb. delivery	17.00	16.50	17.00	+3.65

*Less than 10 shares. †New high mark. ‡And interest.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance of 5@10 points on a little larger decrease in the world's visible supply than had been anticipated. There was also bullish news from Brazil to the effect that interior stations were stripped bare of supplies by the recent heavy shipments to the ports. The market closed steady at an advance of 5@10 points. Sales were reported of 31,750 bags, including December at 6.90c; January at 6.95c; February at 7.10c; March at 7.15@7.20c; May at 7.35@7.40c; July at 7.60c; September at 7.70@7.75c. Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice, 8½c; mild steady; Cordova, 10@15c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 4¼c; centrifugal 96 test, 4¾c; molasses sugar, 4c; refined firm; No. 6, 5.05c; No. 7, 5.00c; No. 8, 4.90c; No. 9, 4.85c; No. 10, 4.80c; No. 11, 4.70c; No. 12, 4.65c; No. 13, 4.60c; No. 14, 4.55c; confectioners' A, 5.30c; mold A, 5.85c; cutloaf, 6.15c; crushed, 6.15c; powdered, 6.55c; granulated, 5.45c; cubes, 5.70c.

Pig Iron Certificates Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Pig iron quotations at the 11 o'clock call on the produce exchange:

	Bid.	Asked.	Sales in tons.
December	$17 06	$17 16	100 at $17 15
January	17 17	17 20	
February	17 05	17 20	
March	17 10	17 20	
April	17 10	17 25	
May	17 20	17 30	
July	17 20	17 30	

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SECOND CONTEST IS ANNOUNCED

Great Interest and Continued Requests of Proverb Solvers to Be Rewarded.

LAST ILLUSTRATIONS TODAY

In appreciation of the marked general interest shown in the educational proverb contest, the last illustrations of which appear today, and in compliance with many requests made to continue such competition, the management of The Gazette has decided to inaugurate another proverb contest at an early date with a largely increased prize list. The particulars will be made known in the near future. Watch for the announcement.

While the conclusion was readily drawn that the proverb contest would be highly appreciated and closely followed, for its educational features, by the intelligent class of readers upon which The Gazette prides itself, it is only candor to admit that interest as has been manifested, not only by letters of congratulation and in person, but even by telephone was far beyond the fondest anticipation. The novelty of the contest in that it offered an incentive for advancement intellectually for every solver and that it was free from all inducement to guess at hazard and involved no "send money" scheme, made it attractive in comparison with all hitherto announced newspaper contests.

Flattering Interest Shown.

In publishing in this issue the last of the 30 illustrations, the management of this paper feels flattered by the general expression of appreciation and realization of the purposes of the contest. With the experience of this first proverb contest still in mind, it is the ambition of the management that the same interest shall prevail in the coming contest as has been shown in the one closing. While it is probable that a wider interest will follow, since the rewards for engaging in these contests have been realized by the first, still The Gazette will be satisfied with the fruits of its labors if the same appreciation is manifest in the contest to come as has prevailed in the one about to terminate.

In making the announcement that all answers must reach the manager of the proverb contest by noon on Saturday next, communications have been received from distant points, some from Colorado and California, and even Mexico, asking that special allowances be made such solvers as are located at distant points.

Giving All an Equal Opportunity.

In order that there be no special advantage enjoyed by any class of solvers, it has been decided to make a special allowance in the time limit for such solvers who may be located at such distant points as to not allow them to receive today's paper in time to fill out the answer blanks and return them to this office by next Saturday noon. Only such persons living in far-removed cities, where the transmission of mails will not permit having their answers in this office by noon on Saturday next, will enjoy this grace.

While much has been written on the necessity of closely following the simple conditions of this contest, it is but timely to again remind all solvers to keep strictly within the limits of the conditions. Read them carefully and follow them in making your returns. Your own interests are safeguarded in carrying out this oft-repeated request. Any illustrations or answer blanks you may want in duplicate can be secured at this office simply at the cost of the paper in which it appeared. Those who have not felt confident enough, heretofore, to enter the contest, can do so even at this hour.

Money for Christmas.

The full set of illustrations and answer blanks can be secured at this office for 38 cents. Regardless of the proportion of answers out of the 30 illustrations which have appeared, 167 prizes aggregating $1,100 in money will be awarded the nearest correct and the winners will no doubt reap their reward in time to greet Santa Claus with additional appreciation.

Some complaints have been received from solvers, charging that a number of the illustrations have been too difficult of solution. This is a false stand, and when the correct answers are published these complainants will agree that each illustration carried out minutely some well-known and much-used proverb in such a distinct manner that they can but chide themselves because their perception was not keener. It must not be forgotten that the proverb contest is not a guessing contest—it is a solving contest—and those illustrations which have sent you to the reference books the oftener have proved the best incentives to sharpen your appetite for the digestion of the world's best literature. A communication has been received complaining that illustration No. 21 was a rebus—not a picture—and therefore a violation of the first announcement.

It Gives Two Chances.

In truth a rebus is, and must be in the main a picture. For the benefit of solvers it might be said that the goon, which appears in the upper right hand corner, and the rooster, which appears in the lower left hand corner, do in themselves solve the proverb. The rebus also solves it. Here you have two chances.

One writer complains that a certain proverb book he bought did not come up to his expectations, while another states that he has received a circular from a firm announcing their solutions of 20 of the illustrations for a money consideration. Both writers seek redress. It is not within the province of The Gazette to legislate against the world. If progressive advertisers seek an opportunity, through this contest, to peddle their wares, they have every legal right to do so. Their books and solutions may be no more complete than your books or your solutions. They know no more what the absolutely correct answers are then you do, and if some financier offers a number of solutions for sale and you want to buy his brains for your money, The Gazette has not the authority or jurisdiction to have him executed.

However, while the writer has no knowledge whatever of what the absolutely correct answers to any or all of the illustrations are, he will venture here the dangerous prediction that no one absolutely correct set of answers will be received. If this should be the case, it would in no way interfere with the distribution of the prizes, which are to go to "the nearest correct," nor does this hazardous prediction mean that the illustrations were designed to be "hard," but the opportunities for negligence in jotting down the correct wording, spelling and punctuation, as called for in the conditions, are many.

As letters of complaint are but rare in comparison for the communications lauding The Gazette in putting this educational impetus before its readers, the space has been taken to answer those received. While it would be impossible to print any proportion of the letters of congratulation it might not be indiscreet to publish the following from a solver who has been "driven to poetry."

THE GAME OF PROVERBS.

We started out with hearts so gay,
With singing birds along the way;
Next was the horse—that friend of man—
The subject on which our thoughts ran.

The scales of justice met our gaze;
From restaurant to rate—the maze
Through which we wandered in our mind,
Till dogs we were surprised to find.

Then a summer scene, brook and rocks;
A winter scene—such a change shocks;
Next we encounter a big cross dog;
A poor woman, next in catalogue.

But all these pictures were quite mild
Compared to the next, which was very wild,
Satanic Majesty at the gates—
An "open door" to fires of Hades.

An easy entrance to the place
For all who want to go the pace.
We turn to quite a change of scene;
Young couple looking rather green.

Thus devils, lovers and mummies
Make us feel almost like dummies
If the small 'coon did not appear
With each picture in such good cheer.

So we kept guessing every day.
Others are puzzling, too, they say.
And we keep on wondering what next
Will be the subject of the text.

Pulaski, Pa. E. M. J.

Alaskan Judge Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The president has appointed Royal A. Gunnison of Binghamton, N. Y., to be United States judge for the First division of Alaska, vice Melville C. Brown, whose term has expired.

Ministers' Yarns.

The pastor of one of the largest Methodist churches in Allegheny was for a number of years pastor of a missionary church in Calcutta, India. It was in this church, he says, that one of the most ludicrous incidents in his experience occurred.

The pastor had invited to preach for him a young Irish clergyman from Michigan, who afterward became editor of the Indian Witness. In the course of his sermon, the young Irishman described a visit he had paid to the grave of John Bunyan, while en route through England for the orient. He launched eloquently into the description, the congregation hanging eagerly on his words:

"As I stood before that tomb," he exclaimed, "what feelings welled up within my breast. I felt that I could appreciate the emotions of Moses as he stood before the burning bush. As I gazed on that plot of ground that held all that was mortal of the immortal author of the Pilgrim's Progress, I seemed to hear a voice within me say:

"'The place whereon thou standest is holy ground! Take thy shoes from off they feet, for there is a Bunyan!'

The instantaneous burst of laughter that went up in appreciation of this rich Irish bull, nearly put an end to the solemn services.

"It was a long time in Calcutta," said the clergyman who tells the story, "before our Michigan brother ever heard the last of that eloquent description from his Methodist brethren."

The Rev. Dr. T. J. Leak, who has just been appointed to the pastorate of the Bellevue Methodist Episcopal church, spins the following yarn which he vouches for as having its origin in Harrisburg, during his pastorate there. A Presbyterian grocer's store adjoined that of a Jewish clothing merchant, and the two business men were intimate friends. One day the Presbyterian said jestingly to his Hebrew friend:

"Say, what makes you Jews so exclusive? Why don't you let out a little of your religious prejudices, and mix up more with our churches, just as you are so agreeable with us from a business and social standpoint. I had a dream last night. I died and passed above, and when I arrived St. Peter showed me around. He took me to the Methodist heaven, the Baptist heaven, the Congregationalist heaven and the Presbyterian heaven. They were all close together, and their inhabitants were visiting back and forth and seeming to have a delightful time. Then he conveyed me to a distant part of the grounds, and there he showed me the Hebrew heaven, isolated from all the rest. I opened the door and looked in. They seemed to be having a good time by themselves, but such exclusiveness didn't look right to me in Heaven."

The Hebrew merchant shook his head deprecatingly. "That's all right," was his only comment, as he moved away. The next day he button-holed his Presbyterian neighbor. "Say, my friend," said he, "I had a dream last night, too. I also died, and was translated. When I got up above, Moses met me. He showed me the Methodist heaven, the Baptist heaven, the Jewish heaven, and then he took me around to see the Presbyterian heaven. It was a fine place, sure, and I opened the door and looked in."

"Well, what did you see?" queried the friends.

"Nothing. There wasn't anybody there."

Two clergymen, both graduates of Princeton, were discussing recently the ease with which degrees may be obtained nowadays from what they termed "sand hill" colleges.

"That reminds me of a story they tell at the expense of a Pennsylvania backwoods Presbyterian preacher," said one of the clergymen. "He was well over the 40-year mark, and, though gifted with much natural eloquence and a stock of education which he had acquired from his reading, he had never had the advantage of a seminary training. A large church in Philadelphia became impressed with his worth as a pastor and preacher, however, and extended a call to him.

"Our backwoods preacher decided to accept the new opportunity held out to him, but was sorely troubled by the fact he had no title to add after that of plain 'Rev.' He felt if he could only somehow obtain the degree of D. D., it would give him prestige, and add to his usefulness in his new church.

"Therefore he set out to interview the president of one of our western theological seminaries.

"'Well, my brother,' said the president, 'there are three ways open to you by which you may obtain the degree you covet. You might endow a chair, you might enter here as a student, or you might try to pass the examination on the stock of knowledge you already possess, if you feel so inclined.'

"'I'm too poor to endow a chair, and too old to begin to go to school,' replied the caller, 'so I guess there's nothing left for me but to try to pass the examinations as I stand.'

"'Very well,' replied the president, 'we will begin right now with a test of your exegisis. Will you kindly open that Bible there and read the opening sentence of Genesis?'

"The preacher did as he was bid, and read:

"'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.'

"'That's enough,' interrupted the president. 'Now, will you please give me your interpretation of that?'

"The backwoods minister started out in fine fettle to discourse on the self-existent and creative properties of the Deity from the beginning of time, when he was again interrupted by the president, who queried:

"'In short then, you mean to say that God created something out of nothing?'

"'Why, yes,' replied the preacher, taken somewhat aback by this abrupt interpretation, 'if you want to put it that way, it's about what I mean.'

"'Well, then,' said the president, laying his hand on the candidate's head, 'with such scriptural authority and warrant as that, I believe I may here and now create you a doctor of divinity.'"

Winter Season Opens at Lakewood.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The Lakewood hotel opened for the season this week. The opening of this hotel marks the opening of the Lakewood season.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Behr of Pittsburgh, are enjoying a sojourn at the Lakewood hotel. Miss Gladys L. Painter of Pittsburgh is visiting friends here.

Trustee for Waggaman Estate.

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REPORT FROM GEO. C. BUELL

A rich strike is claimed for the Pittsburgh Lead and Zinc Company in its developments in Monteau county, Mo. A report, which has just been received from the manager, George C. Buell, who has conducted the operations on the ground, gives the details of a find which has attracted a large number of experts to the Fortuna district of Missouri, and is already causing a rise in values generally throughout the district.

The property owned by the Pittsburgh company is located three miles east of Fortuna and comprises 20½ acres. Fortuna is on the Versailles branch of the Missouri Pacific railroad.

In telling of the discovery Mr. Buell says in part:

"There is a slow-running creek bounding your land on the south, and along the borders of this most of the prospecting was directed. Several drill holes and two shafts had been sunk in that location. The shafts were sunk to a depth of 56 feet, 8 inches; another near by to a depth of about 30 feet. There was no drifting done in the 30-foot shaft. It is well cribbed down to the rock formation and well preserved. The main, or 98-foot shaft, is cribbed down about 30 feet. Some drifts were run in this at an 80-foot level.

Better Formation Lower.

"A close inspection of the shaft and drifts revealed to me the fact that the ground was of the sheet or blanket formation, that is, alternate strata of limestone and mineral-bearing rock of conglomerate and softer formations, and it seemed evident that the more substantial formations of ore would be found at a lower depth than appeared in the drifts at the 80-foot level. I also discovered that the cribbing in the shaft covered a surface or shallow run of ore of possible value.

"The first tunnel opened up a rich prospect in the outcroppings or shallow run. This seems to extend up and down the creek indefinitely and is about 16 feet in depth. It seems to pass through the hill across to the north dry run, a distance of about 300 feet. To determine the extent I am driving a tunnel into the hillside on the north, and prospecting along the banks of both water courses. This shallow run also appears in the main shaft just below the cribbing.

"It seemed evident to me that the neglected north slope of the hill was the natural primary mineral location, especially because of the watershed on that side. I accordingly verified this by drilling.

Found Ore at 165-Foot Level.

"The drift first disclosed the presence there of the shallow run at a depth of about 35 feet, the ground being a few feet higher on this side. It also disclosed the same alternate sheet formation in the lower ground, first a stratum of limestone, about 20 feet thick, then open ground in a formation of blue flint and limestone. There was, however, no evidence of ore until the drill reached the depth of 165 feet and from that to 180 it disclosed the best lead and zinc prospect ever seen in the district. The cuttings ran rich with mineral and this body of ore can be reached by a drift from the main shaft.

"I have no doubt that the run at that level extends entirely through the hill. I shall reach it probably in sinking in the main shaft at a depth of about 140 feet, and develop one of the best mines in Missouri. The 30-foot run of shallow ore is a present mill proposition."

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Will Hold Regular Services.

The African Methodist Episcopal congregation formerly of Bethel A. M. E. church, who are worshiping in the former Fifth avenue M. E. church, on Fifth avenue, under the Rev. Dr. I. S. Lee, will hold services this morning at 11 o'clock and at 6:30 o'clock in the evening. The Y. P. C. E. society will meet from 7:30 to 9:30 in the evening. The choir will tender a sacred concert assisted by the Bryant Troubadours.

FOUR RARE BIBLES.

Presented to the Allegheny Library by Wilson King, Former Consul to Birmingham.

Librarian E. E. Egger of Carnegie library, Allegheny, is in receipt of four rare copies of the Bible. They were from the Hon. Wilson King, formerly the American consul at Birmingham, England, and who continues to reside in that city.

One copy is the "Breeches" edition of the year 1615, so called because the word "breeches" appears in the third chapter of Genesis; the "Treacle" Bible of 1557, which gets its name because the word "treacle" is used in place of the word "balm" in Jeremiah 8-22; the "vinegar" edition 1717, deriving its name because the word "vinegar" in lieu of the word "vineyard" appears at the head of Luke 20, and the "Bug" Bible, the rarest of all, of the date of 1551. The peculiarity in the edition occurs in Psalms 91-5.

The books are in an excellent state of preservation. Mr. King, who has frequently donated rare volumes to the Carnegie library in Allegheny, years ago resided in that city.

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LONDON TO HONOR BARD OF AVON

Memorial to Be Erected and County Council Will Furnish Site.

CHOATE TO BE ON COMMITTEE

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LONDON, Dec. 3.—Search London from one end to the other, with the exception of what is known as Baron Grant's statue, in Leicester Square, the metropolis possesses no memorial to Shakespeare. At last, however, London has begun a determined effort to remedy all this. The London county council has agreed to provide a suitable site and a provisional committee has been appointed to arrange the preliminaries. On it figure Mr. Choate, the United States ambassador; the lord mayor of London, Lord Tennyson; Lord Keay, Lord Avebury, Sir Lawrence Alma Tadema, Sir Henry Irving, Mr. Beerbohm Tree and many others. Dr. Furnival has accepted the chairmanship of the committee, and Lord Avebury will be treasurer. Mr. Richard Badger has offered to start the funds with a first subscription of $10,000, an addition of $5,000 for the specific purpose and $2,500 for working expenses of the appeal.

Apart from the determination that the Shakespeare memorial is to be raised on a prominent site, in the fashion of the Albert memorial in London and Scott memorial in Edinburgh, it has been decided that any money left over shall be devoted to some object for the promotion and study of Shakespeare. When the general committee is formed it will be composed not only of leading people of the British empire, but also of American representatives and distinguished foreigners. It is also suggested that a Shakespeare commemoration shall be held during Shakespeare week, April 23, to May 1 next year, to collect funds. The kernel of the whole scheme is the Shakespeare commemoration of 1905, and it is felt that if this is steadily kept in mind there should not be difficulty in raising such a sum as may ultimately result in the erection of a monument worthy of Shakespeare.

ENGLISH QUEEN CELEBRATES HER SIXTIETH BIRTHDAY

Passing Years Lay Light Hands Upon Her. Dinner Given at Sandringham.

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LONDON, Dec. 3.—Queen Alexandra was 60 years of age on Thursday. "May she live until she looks it," was the neat form which one congratulatory expression took. The passing years lay their hands very lightly on England's queen. When she met Queen Amelia of Portugal on the arrival at Windsor station a couple of weeks ago, a diplomat familiar with all the courts of the world declared, "There you see two of the most beautiful queens in Europe. "And," remarked one who overheard him, "I don't know which looks the younger of the two."

The queen passed her birthday at Sandringham, where, in the evening, there was a dinner party at which some 33 sat down. The birthday cake was of three tiers, beautifully ornamented and mounted on globes of gold fish. Beside the members of the royal family the guests included the dowager duchess of Manchester, Earl Howe, the Earl and Countess de Grey, Lord Herbert Van Tempest, the prime minister, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sassoon and the countess of Airlie.

Consuelo, duchess of Manchester, was one of the house party at Sandringham this week for the queen's birthday, and next week will be the duke of Portland's guest at Welbeck, to meet the king and queen of Portugal. She was also one of the house party invited to meet King Edward at West Dean by Mr. and Mrs. Willie James, and, while King Edward was prevented from shooting by a slight accident to his foot, formed one of his afternoon bridge party, others specially honored by selection being Lady Cadogan and Mrs. George Keppel.

LORD STRATHCONA DOES NOT INDULGE IN LUNCH

Has Not Eaten at Midday for 60 Years. Would Not Recommend Plan.

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LONDON, Dec. 3.—Lord Strathcona, who is in his 85th year, has not taken lunch for 60 years or so. "For 30 years it has been my custom to go without lunch," remarked Lord Strathcona to an interviewer this week. "That doesn't mean I have not taken a midday meal, but as a rule I only take two meals a day, breakfast and dinner. Of course, if there is anyone whom I particularly wish to meet I am prepared to take lunch with him.

"I should not like to recommend every man to dispense with lunch. Everything depends on the individual. Some may be better with and some without lunch. I don't know that this custom has made me more vigorous than other men. If I am so, it may be due to the invigorating climate of northwest Canada. I see no harm in smoking a little, but I believe in temperance; yes, temperance in all things, whether food, drink or tobacco. At the same time, in my opinion, there are none more intemperate than those who insist on total abstinence. In assiduity and concentration lie the secrets of success."

PARIS WAITERS AGAINST TIPS.

Wish Them Abolished and Want Fixed Salaries—Public Is Much Concerned.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—(Copyright Cable.)—Waiters in the cafes in Paris are demanding the abolition of tips. They wish fixed salaries. Members of the Waiters' union held a meeting at the Bourse Du Travail, and so excited was the discussion over doing away with "pourboires" that the police called on the crowd to disperse. The waiters attacked the police and routed them, but the police received reinforcements and arrested more than 40.

The agitation for the abolition of tips continues. The public is as greatly concerned as the waiters and as interested in the outcome.

SHOULD HONOR AMERICANS.

Our Ladies Married to Englishmen Think Their Countrymen Should Be Remembered.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—(Copyright Cable.)—Why should not the Order of Merit be made a reward for all the English-speaking race? is a question which is now being discussed in Anglo-American drawing rooms.

Some American women, who are wedded to Englishmen of title, argue that as it is difficult to find sufficient distinguished men in England to keep the order up to a high level, why should not Americans be appointed to the order which would do much toward welding the two peoples together.

McCracken Will Not Be Prosecuted.

The officers of the Johnson Harvester Company, 82 Fifth avenue, yesterday made information against W. L. McCracken, former manager of the Pittsburgh branch, charging him with embezzlement. McCracken gave himself up at the central station Friday night, confessing that he was $1,200 short in his accounts with the firm. The firm said it would assist McCracken to make good the shortage, as it was not the intention to prosecute him.

CZAR MAKES CONCESSION TO PEOPLE OF FINLAND

Expelled Persons Elected to Diet and Nobles Can Return for Session.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

HELSINGFORS, FINAND, Dec. 3.—An order has been issued by Emperor Nicholas that, as the statutes of the Finnish diet require members to participate in its deliberations, all expelled persons who have been elected deputies or who are heads of hereditary noble houses, shall be permitted to return and attend the diet until the session closes. The assembling of the diet, December 6, arouses the most intense interest among the Finnish people, as the session is regarded as being of vital importance in determining the future status of the grand duchy. The elections have given the Constitutionalists a majority in three houses, the nobility, the burghers and the peasants, and there is a tie in the clerical chamber.

Much of the political agitation which disturbs the tranquility of the country was due to the belief of the Finns since the policy of Russification of Finland became active, that the diet would not be reconvened this year. The late Governor General Bobrikoff's opposition to its convocation was the cause of his intense unpopularity, and it is not too much to say that the country experienced a sense of relief when Schumann's bullet ended the governor's existence. With the advent of Governor General Prince Obolensky and the emperor's action in not only convoking the diet for December 6, but in fixing the date of its reassembling three years hence, instead of after the usual five years' interval, much better feeling prevailed and the elections took place without any evidence of coercion on the part of the Russian officials.

NEW YORK MAN BUYS "INFERNO"

Peculiar Cast Known as "Hell" Purchased at Auction in London.

FIGURES ARE PLACED THEREIN

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LONDON, Dec. 3.—"Hell" was put up for auction yesterday and is now the property of a Mr. Ford, of New York, who bought the inferno for the small sum of £2 10s. ($12.50). The "Hell" in question is a curious artificial cast which was constructed by the late Mr. R. S Wilson, of Tuxford Hall, Nottinghamshire. Into this cast he mercilessly placed representatives of all spirits and influences, which, in his judgment, worked for evil in the world. The entrance to this miniature "Hell" was guarded by a terrifying stone, a figure of his satanic majesty holding a skull in his hands and having a leer on his face that turned the weather cock on the church, the leer being provoked, Mr. Wilson was wont to explain to visitors, by the devil's reflection on the church's crooked ways. Here, as satellites to the devil were the drink evil, the tobacco fiend, the woman with proud look and lying tongue, priestcraft, the late President Kruger, a chattering charwoman, casuron creeds and the religious lawyer and dimeserver.

The fantastic models were made in Mr. Wilson's fanciful mind with the features of his pet aversions and the owner of Tuxford Hall is believed to have devised a great amount of satisfaction in thus disposing of them. They lay in the pit, glaring and scowling, some of them with elucidating inscriptions. When the crucial moment arrived the auctioneer very gravely removed his hat, bowed to the gathering of people awaiting the sale at Tuxford Hall, led the way himself to the "Hell," bowed to his satanic majesty at its entrance and proceeded to sell him up. The first bid was only 10 shillings. The offers rose to £2 ($10), and then came a pause. Was he not worth more than that, the auctioneer asked, but the bidding eventually stopped at 50 shillings, when Mr. Ford was declared to be the owner of Satan's dominion. Another stone figure of the devil not in the hell, but in chains, was knocked down for 20 shillings.

Negro in Jail for Cutting.

Frank Howard, a negro of Monitor street, Allegheny, was sent to jail for court by Magistrate Abernathey for cutting Valentine Arnold of Madison avenue during a quarrel in October. Arnold has just been discharged from the hospital.

The English people have just been doing themselves proud in the royal entertainment they have given the king and queen of Portugal. The king of Portugal during his recent visit to London met the Duchess of Marlborough, Duchess of Manchester and Duchess of Roxburghe, and paid the duchesses a pretty compliment in commenting as follows: "The general impression of a duchess is a very portly, matronly woman. I see that the American duchesses are bringing about an entirely new impression, and it would be difficult to find three more beautiful women in all of Europe than the three American duchesses I have just met."

PUBLIC LIFE IS WOMAN'S DANGER

Femininity Finds Truest Expression in the Home, Says Mrs. Creighton.

LOSING OLD TIME POWER

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]

LONDON, December 4.—Women workers have been gathering in large numbers at the meetings of the National union held recently in York. This immense society is a sort of clearing house of philanthropy. All women who are doing any work everywhere are welcomed, and much good has been effected by the manner in which this society has gathered together people who might otherwise never have met, but who are equally giving valuable service to the world.

The most remarkable address given during their session was delivered by Mrs. Creighton, the wife of the late Bishop of London. Women's mission, she said, was to other women. The mass of women were still rather dead, and the great evil of our young women was pleasure-seeking. The comfortable classes wanted more work, and yet there was a decided danger of women neglecting their special duties in order to hurry into the bustle of public life. England, she said, must be built upon the home and upon the family. We were getting into such a curious condition that we were letting socialism in at every door, without knowing what we were doing.

She had listened with amazement to the applause that was given to much of the work which was being done in Germany. Doubtless, she thought, there was much to be learned in Germany, but we must avoid being overmunicipalized. In the same way the loss of liberty, she believed, was worse even than slums, and would be dearly paid for even by the clearing away of infected districts. "We were not responsible for the England that we found, but we were responsible for the England that we left," and this was the spirit which should animate all women's work. The great need, she felt, for the women of our time, was to do work and to do it well. If we could not all serve on public bodies, we might at any rate make ourselves acquainted with what the work of public bodies consisted of. There was doubt, Mrs. Creighton said, that women had lost some of the powers which they had gained; there had been a setback, and this could not have taken place without some fault of their own.

It was not all due to the iniquity of men. It came, to her mind, from two causes, the way in which the women did the work and the way in which the women who had no work to do did not do it. One of their faults was that they were too fussy. They must not lose charm when they took to work. They must leave restlessness and rush to society women. A sense of repose and leisure was the greatest gift that a woman could bring to the world. Even when they were busy they must still cultivate this habit, for with the union of labor and of rest work would be represented in a way which would create a new enthusiasm and a new joy.

Ex-Congressman Biery Dead.

ALLENTOWN, Dec. 3.—Former Congressman James S. Biery died today of neuralgia of the heart, aged 66. He served in congress from 1872 to 1874.

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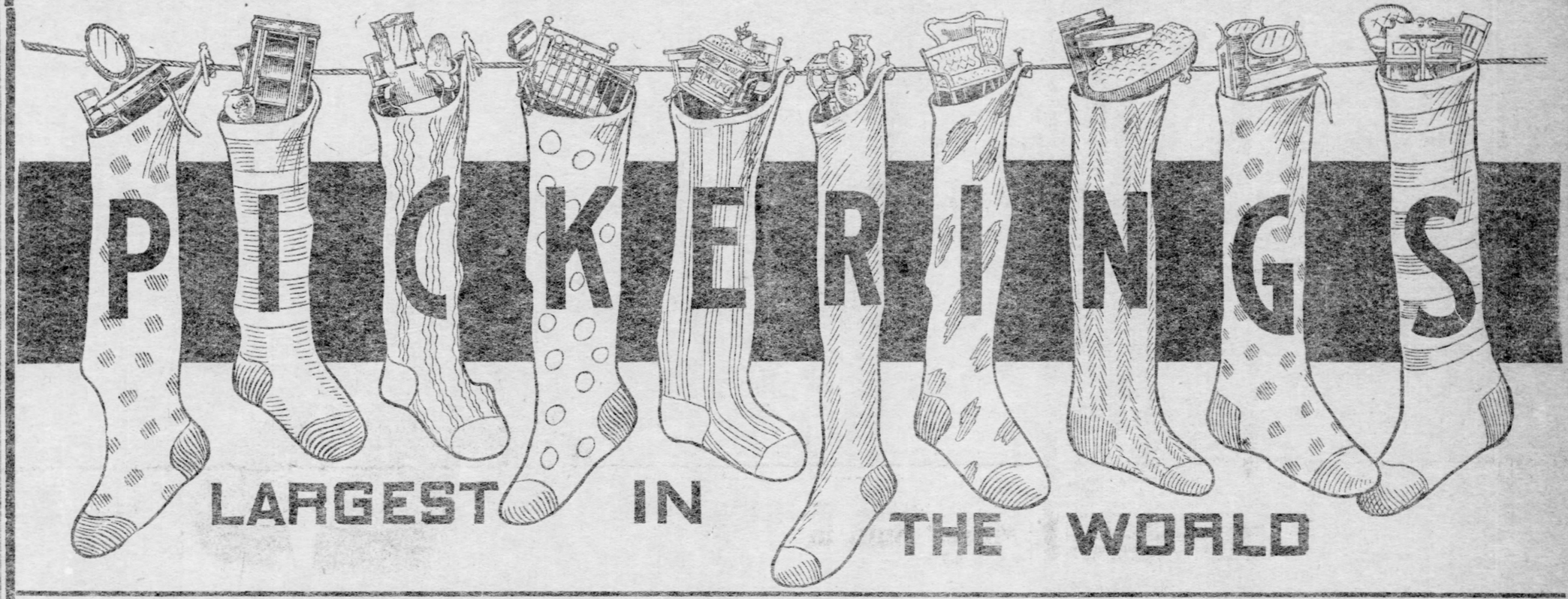

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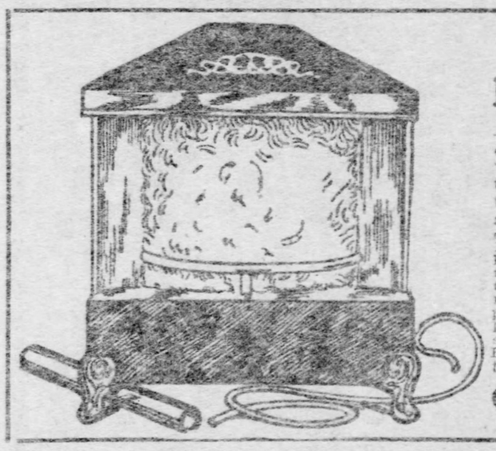

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SOCIETY

INVITATIONS went out yesterday for the marriage of Miss Katherine De Normandie Wilson, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wilson of this city, and Robert Haven Schauffler, the wedding to take place on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 21, in St. Margaret's (Westminster), London, England. Two o'clock is the hour set for the ceremony, which will be performed by the rector of St. Margaret's. It is to be a very quiet affair without any attendants for the bridal couple. Mr. Wilson, who is now in Pittsburgh, will be unable to attend his daughter's wedding and it is uncertain as yet whether there will be any Pittsburgher's present in addition to the bride's mother and her two sisters.

The engagement of Miss Wilson and Mr. Schauffler was announced by Mrs. Wilson last spring when she and her daughters were living in Paris, where the bride-elect was studying music. The prospective bridegroom is a New York man, an editorial writer on the New York Independent and a contributor to the Outlook and the Century. He also is of a musical bent, having studied the violoncello under Steindel, Schroeder and Hugo Becker. Cards accompanying the invitations announce days at home at Irvington-on-the-Hudson after January 10.

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The Pennsylvania College for Women was the scene of a gay assemblage yesterday afternoon when, from 2:30 o'clock until 5, the members of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae entertained the girls of the senior preparatory classes of the two cities. The guests were received by President and Mrs. Samuel Martin of the Pennsylvania college, Miss Eastman, Mrs. David Pierce, Miss Edia Steel, and Mrs. James Geegan. Addresses were made by President Martin, Chancellor Samuel B. McCormick of the Western university and by Miss Mary Gleim of Miss Gleim's school for girls. The rooms were prettily decorated with college banners and the different tables of pictures and literature from the various colleges were presided over as follows: Smith table, Miss Cowan; Bryn Mawr, Miss Hahn; Wellesly, Miss Disque; Oberlin, Miss Grey; Michigan, Miss Luce; Syracuse, Mrs. Hamilton and Vassar, Miss Gregg. Edward Napier and Miss Ruth Hay of the choir of the Church of the Ascension gave a very delightful musical program.

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Exquisite leather boxes filled with dainty handkerchiefs were the prizes awarded at the bridge party at which Mrs. J. L. Dawson Speer was hostess on Friday afternoon. The guests had been asked to meet Mrs. Robert Taylor of Baltimore, who is visiting Mrs. Speer. There were eight tables in play, with beautiful decorations of white chrysanthemums and greens.

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Miss Dorothy Ford has issued invitations for two card parties on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, December 12 and 13, in the English tea room in Fifth street. Both affairs will have unique features.

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Miss Mary I. Laughlin of Ellsworth avenue gave a very prettily appointed luncheon of 14 covers on Thursday in honor of Mrs. Alexander M. Speer, Jr., and Mrs. J. Bissell Speer, both of whom are brides of the year.

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Miss Anne Holdship Robinson will entertain at bridge on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. William C. Robinson of Allegheny, and her cousin, Miss Lois Kerr of Englewood, N. J. The latter is at present the house guest of the hostess.

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Miss May Isabel Schildecker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schildecker of Rebecca street, and Harvey V. McCullough were married on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents in the East End. They are to be at home after January 1 with Mr. and Mrs. Schildecker.

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A pretty wedding on Wednesday evening was that of Miss Alice Scaife Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas and Charles Hill, the ceremony being performed at the bride's home in Avondale place, East End. At-home days for after January 1 in East Orange, N. J., have been announced.

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Miss Mabel Bird Hummel, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Frank P. Hummel, and Charles Wesley Dermitt were married in the South Eighteenth Street Methodist Protestant church on Thursday night. Six brothers of the bridegroom served as ushers. The bride's father, who is pastor of the church, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Dermitt will be at home in their residence, South Nineteenth street.

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Miss Mabel Washington Long, daughter of Mrs. A. Louise Long of Warren, Pa., and Dr. B. Howard Patterson of this city, were married on Thursday evening in St. James' Protestant Episcopal church, Kane, Pa., the Rev. S. R. McEwan officiating. The matron of honor was Mrs. W. H. Davis of Kane, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaids were Miss Anna Giles, Miss Bertha McEwan and Miss Harriet Ryan, all of Kane, which place was the bride's former home. Master Thomas Ryan and Miss Dorothea Davis were page and flower girl. Dr. Patterson's best man was Dr F. A. Rhodes of Pittsburgh, and the ushers were Dr. W. J. Martin of Wilkinsburg; Dr. Allen L. Krepps of the East End, and Ralph Gleason of Smethport, Pa. After an eastern honeymoon, Dr. and Mrs. Patterson will be at home in Waverly street, East End.

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Mrs. John Mann L'Amour of Ben Venue avenue entertained on Friday afternoon, the event taking the form of a Shakespearan musicale at which the guest of honor was Mrs. Alfred B. Barlow. The program, an unusually interesting one, was given by F. Victor Laurent, Mrs. Agnes Vogel Roberts, Mrs. James Blair Walker and Miss Augusta E. Abel. The hostess was assisted at the tea table by Mrs. Percy D. Beatty and Mrs. J. Wilkinson Elliott, who poured, and Miss Martha Dermmler, Miss Marion Deats, Miss Edna Mitchell, Mrs. W. A. Kulp, Mrs. Joseph O. Ewing, Mrs. Franklin B. Remsen, Mrs. James Curran and Mrs. William C Weckerle.

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The young women of the Margaret McCandless Mission band of the Sixth Presbyterian church gave a bazar and old folks concert on Friday afternoon and evening. Fancy work, home-made cakes and pies and handkerchiefs were sold.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Bughman issued invitations during the week for the wedding of their daughter, Miss Virginia Frances Bughman and William White, Jr., to take place on Tuesday, December 20, at the Bughman residence in Woodlawn road. Miss Genevieve Bughman will be her sister's maid of honor and only attendant, while Mr. White will have as his best man, Judge W. D. Porter. Only the relatives and most intimate friends of the bridal couple will witness the ceremony which will take place at 8:30 o'clock, but at 9 o'clock a large reception will be given. Mr. and Mrs. White will go to California and thence sail for Japan. They expect to make a tour around the world, returning via New York in the spring.

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The Women's Industrial society of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, Allegheny, will hold a bazar and art work exhibit on Tuesday afternoon and evening. The art exhibition will include models of celebrated paintings. Those who will represent the pictures are Miss Hellen Horne, Miss Eleanor DuPuy, Miss Caroline P. Haney, Miss Edna G Lockhart, Miss Anna Belle McCoy, Miss Ruth Thoburn, Miss Amy DuPuy, Miss Marguerite Fife Haney, Miss Jean Thoburn, Miss Annie Davis, Miss Nellie Marsh, Miss Pearl Jackson, Miss Hattie Mann, Mrs. William R. Kuhn, Mrs. S. M. Rinehart, Mrs. George Kountz, Miss Madeline Walton, Master Stanley Rinehart and Master Allen Rinehart.

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Invitations have been received in Pittsburgh for the marriage of Miss Harriet A. Dick, the only daughter of Col. Samuel H. Dick of Meadville, to Joseph McKnight Speer of the East End, which will be solemnized at 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Monday, December 19, in Christ Protestant Episcopal church, Meadville.

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Miss Helen Earl, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Franklin Earl of Castleman street, Shadyside, is expected home from the east early this week, probably Tuesday. Miss Earl is now visiting Miss Marie Sinclair of Boston, who will come to Pittsburgh to be entertained by her parents' guest for a couple of weeks.

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The wedding of Miss Lucy Taylor Renton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Renton of Knoxville, and J. A. Grant, took place Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents. The Rev. Dr. Renton of Renfrew, performed the ceremony, and the attendants were Miss Theodora Renton, a sister of the bride, and W. E. Grant was his brother's best man. After December 15 Mr. and Mrs. Grant will be at home in Virginia avenue, Knoxville.

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One of the enjoyable affairs of the week was the euchre given by Mrs. Howard M. Hooker of Bidwell street Tuesday afternoon. The affair was planned to meet Mrs. Clarence Stevens, a sister-in-law of the hostess, who is visiting her from Cincinnati. There were 12 tables in use, six-hand euchre being played. Mrs. Richard M. Jennings, Miss Anne McCullough, Mrs. William McCullough and Miss Harriet Ray won the prizes.

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Mrs. Arthur Cowles of Detroit, who came here for the wedding of her brother, Harvey McCullough and Miss May Schildecker, was the guest of honor at a luncheon given on Friday by Mrs. William R. Siedle of North St. Clair. Mrs. Cowles is the house guest of Mrs. Y. J. Brooks. On Thursday Mrs D. C. Noble of Howe street, will entertain for Mrs. Cowles.

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Mrs. Louis E. Stoddard, nee Darlington, has just received her horses, which were sent to her at New Haven, Conn., last week. Her turnout was one of the smartest in Pittsburgh, while her saddle horse is a beauty. Her team, Tatters and Durbin, were a splendid match; Tatters, a cherry-red gelding with white points, and Durbin, a brown gelding with black points. Both highsteppers have phenomenal all-round action, combined with more than ordinary turn of speed; they carry themselves proudly and act in perfect rhythm. They are driven to a victoria. To those who love the supple beauty of good horses and the trick of conquering them, there is always a fascination in the stylish action of spirited horses. Mrs. Stoddard's saddle horse, Bay Boy which was also sent east, will be remembered as a handsome bay gelding with black points, a symmetrical, well-formed horse used entirely for the saddle. However, he is broken to harness and will make a very cheerful runabout horse. His saddle points are the walk, trot and canter, and he is quite a horse for cross-country runs, taking the hurdles and clearing them easily. Mrs. Stoddard rode in several cross-country runs while visiting the Carnegies in Dungeness last season, and will undoubtedly ride much in the east. Her horses and victoria were shipped to New Haven in a special car, reaching there safely.

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On Wednesday evening a reception and dinner were given by Mr. and Mrs. Homer J. Lindsay at their home on the corner of Rebecca and Harriet streets, for Mrs. Lucy Hershman, their aunt, who leaves soon to spend the winter in California, and for Mr. and Mrs. Oliver S. Hershman, whose marriage was a recent event. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Lindsay, Mr. John Buhoup, Mr. and Mrs. William Knoderer, Miss Margaret S. Knoderer, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Williams, Mr. Homer Oliver Williams, Miss Robina M. Williams, Mr. J. Lindsay Young, Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Jeffries, Miss Margaret Lindsay Jeffries, Mr. and Mrs. William James Sheraden, Miss Wilbur Edith Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. George Abel, Miss Ida May Abel, Mr. and Mrs. A. Esler Abel and Master George Abel, II.

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Box parties were given at the Alvin theater last week by Mr. and Mrs. William C. Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Allison, Dr. H. S. Midgely and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dunn.

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Good music was the feature of the "fancy work" given on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. John A. Wilson of South avenue, Wilkinsburg, an excellent program being rendered by Mrs. Karl Simpson and Miss Smith with Mrs. William Booth as soloist. The hostess was assisted by Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Miss Alice Kery and her daughter, Florence Wilson. Mrs. Wilson had as honor guest Mrs. Karl Simpson, one of the autumn brides, who before her marriage was Miss Bessie Foster Bell of Carnegie.

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Miss Elizabeth Hows of Bidwell street has returned from her sojourn at Hot Springs, Va.

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Mrs. Taylor Allderdice of Bayard street entertained 50 friends on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Frances M. Robertson of Ft. Wayne, Ind., gave an informal talk on "The Italian Renaissance," which was followed by a Mendelssohn trio by Joseph H. Gittings, Leo Altman and Harmann Beyer-Hane of the Pittsburgh orchestra.

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Miss Beardsley, who is visiting Mrs. Edward Vose Babcock in South Negley avenue, East End, was the honor guest at a theater party at the Nixon given Monday evening by Miss Shields of Hazelwood.

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Miss Margaret Alice Sands gave a very delightful musicale tea Tuesday afternoon at her home in South Negley avenue. She was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Francis D. Beldin, who poured tea. Miss Sarah Klein, Miss Elizabeth Dorchester and Miss Helen Wood. The program was presented by Miss Alice Eastman, Miss Geraldine Damon, Miss Dorchester, Miss Nellie Weart and Miss Mary Hawley.

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Owing to the recent death of the bridegroom's mother, the wedding of Miss Catherine Chisholm and Harry Howard Cushing of Detroit on Tuesday morning was very quietly celebrated. The ceremony took place at 10 o'clock in the morning at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Belle Virginia Chisholm, "The Buckingham," in Craft avenue, Oakland. There were no attendants. The Rev. Harry Talmadge of Falls Creek and the Rev. Dr. R. F. Miller of Philadelphia, officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Cushing will spend the winter in Pasadena, Cal.

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One of the largest teas of the early season was given on Monday afternoon by Mrs. Thomas Drummond Chantler at her home in Fifth avenue in honor of her sister, Mrs. Joseph W. Adams and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Samuel Adams, both of New Bethlehem, Pa., who, with Mrs. Joseph Adams, are spending a fortnight in Pittsburgh. On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Charles B. McLean and Miss Marion McLean of Winebiddle avenue entertained Mrs. Chantler's guests at a daintily appointed luncheon at the Pittsburgh County club.

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Miss Grace Aiken entertained at cards on Monday afternoon for Mrs. James Robert Tindle, who was Miss Rebekah Page Knox before her marriage a short time ago.

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Mrs. Bernard Wesley Lewis of Amberson avenue will entertain at cards on Wednesday afternoon.

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Miss Mary McCoy of Baum street gave a small and informal card party yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Clarence Stevens of Cincinnati, who is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Howard Hooker of Bidwell street.

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Mrs. Edward Perry Clarke of Connellsville, was the guest of honor at the reception Mrs. Thomas M. Jenkins of Baum street gave Thursday afternoon. The assistants included Mrs. Samuel Wilson Miller, Mrs. A. P. Burchfield, Mrs. Joseph G. Walters, Miss Helen Walters, Mrs. Margaret Bulger, Miss Sarah Chester, Miss Jennie Jenkins, Mrs. Smith Buttermore, Dr. Virginia Buttermore, Mrs. H. L. McMurray, Miss May McMurray, Miss Emma McMurray, Mrs. W. H. Hugus and Miss Hugus, the last two of Connellsville.

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Mrs. J. Rodgers McCreery will give an afternoon reception at her home in Murryhill avenue on Thursday, December 15.

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Miss Margaret Scott of Stanton avenue, East End, will give a luncheon at the Nixon cafe tomorrow in honor of Miss Caroline Myers of Bethlehem, who is visiting Miss Eleanor Young Hay of North Dithridge street. The luncheon will be followed by a matinee party at the Nixon theater.

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The Tuesday Skating class, composed of East End, Shadyside and Allegheny girls and young matrons, has resumed its mid-winter meetings at Duquesne garden. Semi-weekly meetings will be held throughout the season.

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Miss Lydia Maude Beardsley of Nashville, Tenn., who is visiting Mrs. Edward Vost Babcock in South Negley avenue, was the guest this week at a dinner given in her honor at the Pittsburgh Country club by Mrs. J. H. Thompson.

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Committees have been appointed by the Ladies' Aid society of the South Side hospital to take charge of the annual bazar which will be held in Odd Fellows' hall, South Eighteenth street, December 14, 15 and 16.

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Miss Sarah Edna Weddle and Harry George Fleck of Johnstown were married on Tuesday evening at the residence of the Rev. Dr. David F. McGill in Chartiers street, Allegheny, Mrs. McGill being a sister of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Fleck will reside in Johnstown.

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Miss Laura Austraw of Millwood entertained on Friday evening in honor of her house guest, Miss Olle Riggs of McKeesport.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donnelly of Latrobe celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage on Wednesday evening.

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Miss Rachel Neff of Tacoma street, Brushton, gave a card party to a few friends on Tuesday evening in honor of her cousin, Miss Nellie Griffith of Ligonier.

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The program for the entertainment to be given by the ladies of Col. James C. Hull post No. 157, Grand Army of the Republic, in Thackery's hall, Allegheny, will be under the direction of Thomas F. Kirk, Sr., on Thursday evening. Euchre will be one of the features of the evening. The program follows: Miss Dessie Cunningham, soprano; J. J. Driscoll, tenor; Miss Stella Crowley, song; Miss Annie Cochran, reader; Joseph Weimerskirsch, baritone; Loretta May Callaghan, recitation; Miss Gertrude Earley, song; Miss Hazel Earley, song; Miss Mary Ricketts, pianist.

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Mrs. William Winterburn of Glenwood avenue, Hazelwood, was given a surprise party on November 29 by her children and grandchildren, upon the occasion of her 87th birthday. Mrs. Winterburn has lived in the Twenty-third ward for over 50 years and is quite hale and hearty despite her advanced age. Many handsome gifts were presented by her relatives and an elaborate dinner was served. Those present included Mrs. Mary F. Scott, Portsmouth, O.; William Scott, Braddock; Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Winterburn and sons Edward and Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winterburn and son Harry, Elizabeth, Pa.; Samuel G. Winterburn, Bert Winterburn and grandson, Paul Winterburn, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Darr, Mrs. Harry Winterburn and son Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Isiah Starr, Mr. and Mrs. William Starr and William Starr, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Starr, Charles, Frederick and Edward Starr, Hazelwood; Mrs. L. B. Flanick, Burgettstown; Mr. and Mrs. William Winterburn, William Winterburn, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. John Luke, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Starr and daughter, Miss Julia Starr; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yost, Mrs. Minnie Largs and two children of Lincoln place; James Winterburn, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clark and mother of McKees Rocks; Mrs. C. Vickers, Allegheny; Mrs. Ella Gardner and daughter, Glenwood; Mrs. Frances Loughrey, Pittsburgh and Mrs. Watkin Edwards, Youngstown, O.

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Charles D Callery and family of this city are registered at the Hotel Maryland, Pasadena, Cal.

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Miss Jeanette Agnew of Canton and Mrs. O. C. Lawrence of Cleveland mother of the hostess, were the guests of honor at a charming little tea given by Mrs. John Fremont Shafer of South Negley avenue.

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The members of the Epsilon society of the Thurston Preparatory school gave a very delightful entertainment on Friday afternoon when their guests were the members of the faculty and of the Omega Phi society of the senior departments.

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Mr. and Mrs. John P. Knable gave a dinner of 16 covers at their home in Ellsworth avenue on Friday evening.

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Braun's auditorium was the scene on Friday evening of the first of a series of four dances to be given by Tancred Commandry, No. 48, Knights Templar. The others in the series are set for February 17 and March 31, and a later date not yet chosen.

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The United Presbyterian Women's association held a reception on the top floor of Horne's building on Friday evening.

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Miss Sybil Carter, Protestant Episcopal missionary from the Pittsburgh diocese to the Indians of Minnesota, held her annual lace sale on Friday at the home of Mrs. H. D. W. English in Fifth avenue. Miss Carter gave a very interesting talk on her work and tea was served by Mrs. English, assisted by a few friends.

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The first social affair of the winter was held in the Bellfield club on Friday evening under the direction of the entertainment committee composed of James P. Steen, T. B. McMillan, Jr., Charles L. Taylor, Charles H. Johnston and Wilbur M. Jack.

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The members of the West Penn Cot club have decided to hold their entertainments on the afternoon and evening of December 9, at the Hotel Schenley, instead of the Bellefield club, as there is not enough available space at the clubhouse.

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Miss Emma Katherine Becker of Alpha terrace, East End, and William Emery Jordan of Boston, Mass., were married at the home of the bride's mother yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Dr. Reese of the Smithfield Methodist Episcopal church officiating. The couple will be at home to their friends after January 1 in their Oakland apartments.

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The "White and Lavendar Cotillion" give a dance on Tuesday in Keane's hall.

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The Lorena Orr chapter, No. 18, O. E. S., will give a reception on the evening of December 9. The committee in charge includes Mrs. Jennie Wood, Mrs. M. E. Dillon, Mrs. F. M. Howard, Mrs. Fanny Kenney, Mrs. Hulda Lightcap, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. B. Burns, Mrs. T. J. McGee, Mrs. David Winter, Mrs. Anna Mitchell, Miss Carrie Steel and Miss Mary Bader.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Anthony of Perrysville avenue, Allegheny, gave a dinner last week at their home.

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Mrs. Henry Dallmeyer, Jr., gave a luncheon at her home in Morewood place yesterday.

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The coming "at home" to be given by Mrs. Alexander Pollock Moore and Mrs. Anna Moore Andrews, promises to be a unique event. Among the guests will be 12 brides of the fall seasons. The reception takes place on December 9 from 2:30 until 5:30. In the evening of the same day Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Miss Mildred Andrews and Miss Emma Norwood Taylor will entertain a party of the younger set at dancing at the Moore home, South Negley avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Stephen G. Porter held a family reunion at their home in Fleming avenue, Allegheny, on Thanksgiving day.

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Miss Sara Ormsby Eaton has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. William Henry Search of Riverside drive, New York.

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Dr. and Mrs. Fraces Henry Wade, who have been at "Wadehurst-by-the-Sea," one of their seashore homes on the Massachusetts coast, since last April, will return to Allegheny shortly and reopen "Wadehurst," their home in North avenue.

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The Women's Industrial society of the Fourth Presbyterian church, in Evaline street, will hold its annual supper and bazar on Thursday and Friday evenings, December 8 and 9, from 6 until 10 o'clock. The following women will be in charge: Supper, Mrs. Mary A. Thomas; fancy work, Mrs. James B. Eisaman; candy, Mrs. Thomas Ferguson; fish pond, Miss Mary Shrom; ice cream and cake, Mrs. William F. Bickel; lemonade, Miss Evalyn Hammill.

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Dr. and Mrs. Andrew L. Russell gave a luncheon at their beautiful country residence in Miday on Friday. Covers were laid for 18 and the special guest of honor was Mrs. Oscar Vance Aiken, a recent bride.

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The salmagundi party of the Sobac club, held at the residence of C. E. Field, Coltart Square, Oakland, last Thursday evening, was a very pleasant affair.

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Unique invitations have been issued by the Misses Gertrude and Edith Solomon of 937 Beach avenue, Allegheny, for a Japanese dinner dance to be given at the Concordia club, Thursday, December 15. The invitations are hand painted, in Japanese figure design, by Miss Edith Solomon herself. A feature of the dance will be that the ladies appear in Japanese costumes.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Reed B. Coyle.

Reed B. Coyle, Jr., and Ruth Elizabeth Coyle.

VIOLA ALLEN AT THE NIXON THEATER

MISS VIOLA ALLEN.

Miss Viola Allen will be the attraction at the Nixon next week. Miss Allen will appear both as Hermione and Perdita and that she will equal her last season's success seems beyond question. Wherever she has appeared this season she has enjoyed an artistic and financial success of a surprising nature, yet Miss Allen has given the theatergoer many surprises in the past. Her good fortune in the selection of popular plays and the happy casting of them, as well as notable productions, have been one of the wonders of the last few years. In Miss Allen's company for this season there are several performers who appeared with her successfully last season in "Twelfth Night." Miss Zeffie Tilbury, who was the Maria last year of "Twelfth Night," is this year the Paulina of "The Winter's Tale." Frank Currier, who was the Sir Andrew Aguecheek, will now be seen as the rogue, Autolycus; James Young has been transferred from Sebastian to Florizel, and C. Leslie Allen, who was the Antonio of "Twelfth Night," will now be seen as the old shepherd in "The Winter's Tale." Henry Jewett, the new leading man of the company, will appear as Leontes, Boyd Putnam as Polizones, Frank Vernon as Camillo and Sidney Bracey as the clown.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were granted yesterday:

George A. Euler	Pittsburgh
Theresa Young	Pittsburgh
Albert von Koutesk	Homestead
Maria Herodek	Homestead
Anton F. Roose	Donora
Vera Lundberg	Donora
William Goetz	Rankin
Anna Rettinger	Allegheny

THE WEEK IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—Possibly on account of the strict secrecy observed, possibly on account of the fact that the Leiters are always much discussed, possibly because expectations of princely appointment were latent, the Leiter wedding was the chief event of the week at Washington. Absolute quiet was maintained, nevertheless the news got out that the bride wore a Worth robe of plain white satin absolutely laceless though the under petticoat was a dream of lace from the edge to the waist line. The bridal veil was plain white tulle held to the head by trailing sprays of orange blossoms and the jewels were pearls—a magnificent strand given by the bride's late father and a second equally gorgeous strand from which depended a diamond jewel. On the left breast she wore a curious jewel composed of two black pearls, two pink pearls, two gray pearls with a magnificent white pearl for a center. About 25 guests witnessed the service, which was performed by the rector of St. John's—the Rev. Roland Cotton Smith—whose list of notable weddings would certainly include the most prominent names in this and other lands. The earl of Suffolk whom oft-denied report has it is a suitor for the hand of the remaining sister, was best man and Miss Marguerite Leiter was her sister's attendant. The guests were served at small tables. Of course, everybody will be interested in knowing that the bride's pet dog went down to the drawing room with her, his best go-to-meeting collar being caught with a bridal choux of tulle. Mrs. Campbell had as a going-away gown a black broadcloth, while her hat was mounted with a long crepe veil, the Leiter family being yet in deep mourning for Levi Z. Leiter, whose death occurred within the past six months.

Contrary to general report Maj. Colin Powys Campbell is not a brother to the duke of Argyle, but a cousin and a much younger man. He is described as tall, athletic and blonde, of jolly temper and superb military bearing—altogether a fitting spouse for Miss Nancy Carver Leiter, who is very pretty, very distinguished looking and very clever.

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The schedule for the official dinners and receptions at the White House were given out just after Mrs. Roosevelt left for St. Louis and the cabinet ladies and indeed society in general are busily engaged in "following their leader." Mrs. Hay, wife of the secretary of state, has named her date for the dinner to the president—January 10—and right down the cabinet line in sequence will follow these state dinners. Society in officialdom dates from the New Year's reception onward and this year the last of the state dinners and receptions is scheduled for February 19 when the army and navy will be received.

Supplementing the weekly receptions and dinners will be the usual list of entertainments such as dinners and musicales which Mrs. Roosevelt has been in the habit of giving since her accession to the White House. The president and Mrs. Roosevelt signalized their return to the city by a small dinner given last evening. In the meantime the list of dinner givers and the appearance of the buds who bloomed continually all week gave ample evidence that the season is "on."

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The admiral of the navy and Mrs. Dewey gave a dinner for the secretary of the navy and Mrs. Morton; the minister from Belgium and the Baroness Moncheur, who are entertaining the baroness' sister, Miss Kathleen, daughter of the American ambassador to Mexico, also gave a dance, as did the solicitor general and Mrs. Hoyt, whose dinner was arranged for their debutante daughter, who made her bow under the happiest auspices on Tuesday afternoon. All resident and official society paid their respects to the granddaughter of an ex-governor of the Keystone state, and among those assisting Mrs. Hoyt was Mrs. Philander C. Knox, wife of the junior senator from Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. Victor Metcalf, wife of the secretary of commerce and labor, will inaugurate her weekly at-homes at the Arlington next Wednesday and the secretary of the navy and Mrs. Morton will entertain at dinner on the 13th. Among the diplomats it is, generally speaking, a case of "transfer" and "travel." The Austrian ambassador and Baroness Hengelmuller have gone over to New York for a short visit, consequently the baroness' at-home today will be omitted. In the meantime the first secretary of the embassy, Baron von Giskra, who has been seriously ill at Vienna, is en route to Washington, where he will take charge in the absence of the ambassador, who, with his family, expects to sail on January 14.

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Of international interest is the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Glover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Glover, and Johnkeer R. de Marrees van Swinderen, minister from the Netherlands, which is scheduled to take place December 21 and for which cards are out.

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The opening of congress brings the familiar faces again to the city. Senator and Mrs. Knox were among promenaders in F street the other day, having returned and taken possession of their home in K street. Mr. and Mrs. George Huff and Miss Huff, who spent the summer abroad and the fall at Greensburg, are again at their Washington home, and Representative George Shiras and Mrs. Shiras, together with Mr. Justice Shiras and Mrs. Shiras, left the city on Wednesday for a brief visit. Representative Brown and Mrs. Brown, who were expected to arrive in the city during the week, have not yet returned. Mrs. Edward C. McLure has cards out for the coming-out tea she gives on the 14th to introduce her young granddaughter, Miss Cornelia R. Mercer, and Mrs. Hutchinson is entertaining Miss Mary McKee, of Pittsburgh. Mrs. McKibben and Miss McKibben, formerly of Pittsburgh, have returned to the city and taken up a temporary home, and Mrs. Upton, of Pittsburgh, is entertained by Mrs. W. H. Michael, wife of the chief clerk of the state department. Among Washingtonians visiting at Pittsburgh is Mrs. Joseph Abel, who is entertained by relatives, and Mrs. B. Frank, who is the guest of her daughter.

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Mrs. John Dalzell was among the week's entertainers, her hospitality going out to Miss Hildreth and Miss Elizabeth Dunn, debutante daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Dunn, and to the secretary of commerce and labor and Mrs. Metcalf. Mrs. Dalzell had the Misses Dunn to a small and informal luncheon during the week, while the dinner she gave on Friday evening had the secretary and Mrs. Metcalf as honor guests, other guests being Mrs. Sampson, widow of the admiral, Mrs. John Gordon and her visiting friend, Mrs. Raymond, of Nebraska; Sir Thomas Hutchinson and her friend, Miss Mary McKee, and Mrs. William Sage Dalzell, Jr., of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Dalzell, Jr., who left for home last evening, came on for an over Thanksgiving visit with her mother, Mrs. J. T. Hough, and was one of Mrs. Dalzell's assistants at her at-home yesterday afternoon. Another holiday guest was Robert Duff Dalzell, who, in company with his classmate, Lowell Frost, of Buffalo, spent a few days at his home. Both men are seniors at Yale.

ROBERTA V. BRADSHAW.

WOMAN'S PROPER SPHERE HER HOME

By HETTY GREEN.

Woman's proper sphere is the home. A married woman should take no active part in the business world. Above all things, a woman should learn how to cook. I mean how to cook wholesome food, and not necessarily how to prepare fancy dishes for the table. Let a woman learn first of all how to make bread, good old English bread, using potato yeast and not baking powders.

You think it strange that I advise married women to keep out of business while I am apparently doing the contrary by being so active in business myself, but you must remember that I did not become active until I had to. My husband was paralyzed for 11 years, and I was obliged to take up the reins. I was always interested in commercial affairs from the time I was 6 years old; when a child in New Bedford it was my greatest pleasure to visit the headquarters of my father's shipping, and as I grew up I enjoyed the occasional peep I got into his business transactions.

It was not until I was 28 years old, however, that I took a material interest in business, so that I always was "behind the scenes," so to speak, before I became active.

When I say a woman's sphere is her home I know what I am talking about. I had a husband who enjoyed life. I knew, and if all other married women would wake up to the fact, husbands would remain home more; that if his home was not made attractive he could find recreation in some of his clubs or elsewhere. You know they say that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach. So the married women ought to learn how to cook, take care of their home and let business alone.

There would then be fewer divorces. I managed to get through without a divorce, and I had one of the greatest epicures that ever lived. I never approved of liquors or cigars, but I never was so impolitic as to prohibit them. Still, my husband and son were never habitual users of either alcoholic drinks or tobacco.

Then, women nowadays allow their thoughts to be distracted too much by dresses and bonnets. If many of them would devote the same amount of time to the comfort of their husbands as they do to thinking there would be less marital unhappiness. I have been criticised by women for the plainness of the clothes I wear, but if those who criticise would stop to think, they would find they didn't know what they were talking about.

I wear a silk grenadine veil on my head instead of a bonnet because it will stand the weather. I must be out whether it rains or shines, looking after my interests. Wouldn't an ostrich plume look fine on my head if I got caught in a rain storm?

The same can be said of the skirt I wear. It is heavy silk, rainproof material that, like the grenadine, retains its good appearance in rainy as well as fair weather. A woman should select her clothes with an eye to utility as well as looks.

Now, as to investments, the only advice I have ever given to women who have approached me on this subject has been to invest their money in good real estate. Use judgment in selecting the location of the property to be invested in. In such an investment a woman is always sure that she has it. It is there and cannot vanish in a night.

Politics? Everybody in business is more or less interested in the proper conduct of the government, although I suppose a woman has no right to discuss that subject since she hasn't the right to vote. But in the present condition of affairs in this country I think it is to the credit of women that they have no part in the government.

Finally, if my advice were asked, I would warn all women to beware of religious lawyers. They have made frequent attempts to filch my pocketbook, but I have fought them as a matter of principle, for I have always felt that it was unrighteous to permit one's self to be blackmailed, even if the amount involved is only a drop in the bucket.

My father taught me that to condone a felony was to make yourself half a felon. I have never forgotten this advice, and in doing what I felt was right I have been afraid of nobody.

Kaiser Praises President's Speech.

BERLIN, Dec. 3.—Emperor William dined with Chancellor Von Buelow last evening. Among those present was Ambassador Tower, with whom his majesty talked regarding affairs in the United States. The emperor thought President Roosevelt's speech at the unveiling of the monument to Frederick the Great at Washington November 19 was one of the finest appreciations of the king he had ever read.

Places a Representative in Pittsburgh.

The Engineering News of New York, a well known mining, mechanical and electrical engineering journal, has appointed T. F. Vickers of 406 Penn avenue as its Pittsburgh representative. Mr. Vickers will look after the advertising and subscription interests of the publication in territory bounded by Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Columbus and Wheeling.

Embezzler Is Sentenced.

LIMA, O., Dec. 3.—R. O. Woods, secretary of the Lima Home and Savings association, who was found guilty of embezzling over $15,000 and who forbade his attorneys to ask for a new trial, was sentenced today to five years in the penitentiary.

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The Pittsburgh orchestra's fifth set of concerts for this season will be given at Pittsburgh Carnegie Music hall next Friday evening and Saturday afternoon. Two soloists, Luigi von Kunits, the orchestra's concertmeister, and David Baxter, basso, will cooperate in the following program:

Passacaglia ..... Bach
Concerto for Violin and Orchestra in D major, op. 77 ..... Brahms
Three movements from "The Damnation of Faust" ..... Berlioz
Minuet, "Will o' the Wisps."
Dance of the Sylphs.
Rakoczy March.
Aria from the Opera "Eugen Onegin" ..... Tschaikowsky
Symphony No. 1 in C major ..... Beethoven

In point of contrast and character, here is one of Mr. Paur's finest programs presenting the three greatest names in the history of German music, Bach, Beethoven and Brahms, as well as the French innovator Berlioz, and an example of the dramatic vocal style of Tschaikowsky.

The selection by Bach is a splendid example of this composer's polyphony and counterpoint, but in a modern orchestral dress which makes it doubly interesting. Essor who made the arrangement was a devout disciple of Bach.

The Beethoven symphony was written while this composer was under the influence of Haydn and shows only glimpses of the great individuality which afterward was to recreate the symphonic form. It is written in the usual four movements, the second, Andante Cantabile, being perhaps the best known, because of its appealing melody. The entire symphony, while short, is so clear in structure and so lucid of theme, as to be greatly enjoyed from its purely sensuous side.

The three movements from Berlioz are always welcomed by Pittsburgh orchestra audiences, including the exhilarating Rakoczy march, which for generations was the war song of Hungary.

The choice by Mr. von Kunits of the Brahms violin concerto will furnish for the first time at these concerts a hearing of one of the greatest, perhaps the greatest work ever written for violin and orchestra, and in choosing it is shown Mr. von Kunits' ideality of purpose and his devotion to the highest and best music. And in this connection it may not be out of place to refer to another evidence of Mr. von Kunits' unselfish efforts to hold high the standard here, found in the series of chamber music concerts which every season the quartet bearing his name gives in this city.

The Brahms concerto was written in 1878 for Dr. Joachim, and was played by him for the first time on New Year's day, 1879, at the Gewandhaus concerts, Leipsig. Although the tendency of Brahms in melody, harmony, rhythm and instrumentation is distinctly modern, his preference for so-called classic forms is pronounced, and this is most clearly illustrated in the first movement of the violin concerto. Not only is its general construction strictly in accord with the scheme which crystallized under the influence of Beethoven, but in leaving the composition of the cadenza to the performer, Brahms has returned to a custom which had been almost universally discontinued. An explanation of this procedure on the part of Brahms may be found in the extraordinary qualifications of the illustrous violinist for whom the concerto was composed. Following the precedent and the intention of the composer, Mr. von Kunits will play his own cadenza at these concerts.

David Baxter has not sung before at Pittsburgh orchestra concerts, although his voice has been heard here in concert rooms. He is a serious singer with a fine, mobile bass voice and in the dramatic aria, by Tschaikowsky, which he has chosen for these concerts, is furnished abundant opportunity for a display of his refined art. Mr. Baxter is of Scotch descent and has not only had the privilege of the best masters in London and Germany, but has, during the past few years, co-operated at the best concerts in these cities.

Next Wednesday evening at the Allegheny Carnegie Music hall, Miss Marie Herites, another one of those Bohemians with the wonderful bow and the real Slavic temperament, is to make her appearance. She will be assisted by Jan Herman. Miss Herites is the young woman who was brought from Prague to be

Miss Marie Herites.

the feature of the Bohemian day exercises at the world's fair festical hall on August 6 last. She is but 18 years old, has passed her life in Prague and has been under the instruction of Sevcik, the instructor of both Kubelik and Kocian. It is said that one of her chief charms is that, notwithstanding her real greatness as a violin artist, she is both modest and unassuming, her chief concern being her desire to render her selections in a satisfactory manner. Her technic is reported as faultless, and to do her full justice is to compare her favorably with both her famous Bohemian predecessors.

It will be a long time before those who were privileged to hear the concerts given by the orchestra yesterday afternoon and last evening will forget the rare pleasure afforded. Mr. Paur as a program maker is doing the music lovers of this community a service they have long been in need of, and the tremendous wave of enthusiasm the last concerts brought forth indicates that the work is appreciated. The program for the coming concerts gives promise of being fully as brilliant as that of last week. Nothing more could be desired.

Mr. Paur, though modest as ever, has to a considerable extent lost the feeling of embarrassment which seemed to be apparent during his first appearances, and with that has come a marked improvement in his manner of conducting. There was an ease and grace about his work the past week that was simply irresistible, the players had to respond. He is now in thorough touch with the men and they with him, and the result is a quick response.

Speaking of programs, the encore feature is to be eliminated from the orchestra concerts, and it is a good thing that this is so. It is for the reason that encores tend to impair the artistic unity of a given program, and further because many supporters of the orchestra have asked that out-of-town patrons be not inconvenienced by thus unduly prolonging the programs. The orchestra committee has been constrained on account of these reasons to recommend a discontinuance of the encore system and asks support to this end.

Now if something can only be done to suppress those restless and impolite people who make it a point to go out before the last number is played and who often begin to make preparation to depart long before the last number is reached, not infrequently soon after the intermission, another feature that greatly impairs the artistic unity of a program will be done away with. It would not be so bad if these people occupied end seats and could go away without disturbing other people, but almost invariably they occupy seats in the middle of a long row, and in going they make a dozen or more people uncomfortable. It will be interesting to see how these people behave at the fifth set of concerts, for it will be noted that the symphony is the last number on the program, and as a matter of course these lovers of the symphony will not feel like missing it. Maybe they will sit still this time.

The usual free organ recital will be given in Carnegie Music hall today at 4 o'clock by Edwin H. Lemare, city organist. The program opens with the "Marche Pontificale," by Tombelle, a distinguished French composer for the organ. Alfred Hollins, the blind English organist, is next represented by his Intermezo in D flat, a charming work and a favorite with Mr. Lemare and his audiences. Next comes

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LUIGI VON KUNITS, Violinist.

the "Great G Minor," prelude and fugue, of Bach, the fugue being of such majestic proportions that it stands first in Bach's organ music in this form. These numbers, with the "Pastorale Rustique," by Wolstenholme, comprise the first part of the program. The second portion consists of three numbers, a gavotte by Dr. Elgar, Mr. Lemare's own reverie in E flat and the glowing overture to Wagner's "Rienzi."

The first concert of the Mendelsohn trio has been set for Thursday, December 15. Eight recitals constitutes the series, which will be given at the concert hall of the Western Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, Dithridge and Bayard streets. A fine program is in preparation, including a beautiful trio by Isechown, and a novelty, the first performance in public of a new trio by A. M. Foerster of this city. Morris Stephens will be the vocal soloist, and he will depart from the customary vogue by singing exclusively American songs, demonstrating that worthy songs deserve recognition and should be made familiar. Mr. Carl Bernthaler will be the instrumental soloist and will play the G minor ballad by Chopin. The subscription list has been growing daily and includes many of the most musical people of the city.

The Mendelssohn Concert quartet, composed of Edward Vaughan, first tenor; Lewis Veirheller, second tenor; Samuel Kinder, first bass, and J. Gordon Jones, second bass, will give a concert next Tuesday evening in the Ellsworth United Presbyterian church, Davis and California avenues, Allegheny, under the auspices of the Men's league. The proceeds are to be applied toward the purchase of a new organ.

The six hundred and forty-seventh free organ recital will be given next Thursday evening at the Allegheny Carnegie Music hall by Caspar P. Koch, city organist. The soloists will be Miss Edith S. Dillon, soprano, and John B. Seifert, tenor.

A concert is to be given next Tuesday evening in Allegheny Carnegie Music hall under the direction of Miss Emily Stark, reader, at which E. R. Kappeller will sing one of his own compositions, a song called "Der Gemsenjaeger." Hermann Kappeller will play 'cello obligato to this song and will also contribute a 'cello solo, "A Reverie," composed by E. R. Kappeller. Miss Lotta Herman will be the accompanist.

The annual meeting of the M. M. P. U. for the purpose of electing officers will be held today, and considerable interest attaches to the same, closely following as it does an attempt to dissolve the union that was made. The M. M. P. U. was for years the only musical association in Pittsburgh, and until a few years back was exceedingly prosperous and could boast a very large membership, its roster virtually standing for all the professional musicians in the city. There was a reserve fund of several thousand dollars, and it was safely invested, and to all appearances everything was satisfactory to everyone. Then dissensions arose, and once started, the sentiment of revolution against the old organization spread quickly. Demands were made that the money be divided, but the dissatisfied ones were in the minority, and the officers of the old association remained in control of the funds, records and the society's charter. A new association was organized, and many of the old M. M. P. U. joined it after severing their connection with the old union. Others remained members, but also joined the new society, the Pittsburgh Musical society. Recently another attempt was made by the dissenting members of the M. M. P. U. to have the courts compel the officers to surrender their charter and yield up the custody of the money, which now amounts to between $7,000 and $8,000.

Vladimir de Pachmann's coming has been announced. He will give on December 28 the second of the series of recitals at the Hotel Schenley which began so brilliantly last month with Ysaye. Mr. de Pachmann is one who seems in the light of his glaring oddities and openly displayed egotism far removed from all ordinary interests; and yet as one watches him, as one listens to the wealth of feeling, every emotion known to the complex modern being revealed in tones of a marvelous lyric beauty, the conviction grows that he is not to be judged by ordinary standards.

An interesting musical event of the week will be the annual concert of the Chatham Street Welsh Baptist church Thursday evening, December 8. A program has been arranged embracing vocal and instrumental numbers. The Mendelssohn quartet and the Oakland quartet, consisting of Miss Hattie Jones, soprano; Miss Anne Rees, contralto; William Lewis, tenor, and Harry Rees, basso, will render a number of selections. Others who will participate are Miss Jane Lang, contralto of the Sixth United Presbyterian church; David J. George, the South Side baritone, and Joseph A. Jenkins, tenor, Allegheny. The accompanists will be Miss Esther Lloyd and J. Harry Jones.

One of the largest audiences ever drawn to Pittsburgh Carnegie Music hall by any musical attraction greeted the Apollo club at its initial concert last Thursday night. The club is doing better work than ever. But why will they waste their ability and artistic understanding on such trifles as Hastings' "Beautiful Rose," when there is so much beautiful and good music in the world waiting for a hearing? Great effect was gained by the orchestral accompaniments, the voices combining immensely well with the instruments. The orchestra numbers were uniformly fine, but Mr. Paur's "Traumerei" touched the emotions as well as compelled admiration. One of the most gratifying features of the Apollo club is the fact that they never sing anything but English, no matter in what language the song was originally written. This and the crisp, clear enunciation are things to give praise for in these days of slovenly slurring of syllables and misuse of the foreign languages in song.

At the Church of the Ascension tonight the shortened form of evening prayer will be immediately followed by a rendition of Gaul's cantata, "The Holy City." The treatment of this work is almost entirely reflective, the most dramatic part of the book from which many of the numbers are taken—"The Vision of St. John"—having already been treated in a masterly manner by the great German composer, Louis Spohr, in his oratorio, "The Last Judgment." The first part of the "Holy City" was suggested by the passage of scripture, "Here have we no continuing city," and sets forth the desire for a higher life as expressed by the words "My soul is athirst for God." The second part was suggested by the words, "I saw a new heaven and a new earth," thus realizing the desire and promises contained in the first part. With the exception of two hymns, a verse from Milton and three verses from the Te Deum, the words are entirely scriptural.

Besides the full vested choir, the following singles will be heard: Miss Ruth Hay, soprano; Miss Duncan, soprano; Miss Alice Snider, contralto; Master Dietrich, alto; George W. Pulver, tenor; John Lane, tenor; Harold Gittings, bass. In the accompaniments Mr. Napier will be assisted by Messrs. Frankenstein, De Backer and Schuecker of the Pittsburgh orchestra.

Tomorrow evening the first of a series of musicales will be given by the Carter Conservatory of Musical Art in South Highland avenue. Mr. Carter has prepared an attractive program, which includes several novelties in song and a number of piano works by the great masters, including the Schumann piano concerto to be played by Henry D. Russell. Members of the faculty and advanced students will also participate.

One of the most distinctively musical functions in the history of Pittsburgh is the concert of old-time music to be given before Art society members at Carnegie Music hall tomorrow evening. The artists are a famous group from London, Mr. and Mrs. Dolmetsch and Miss Kathleen Salmon, and they will use the instruments of the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Following is the program:

Two pieces for the lute.
I. Carcavis ..... Anonymous C. 1600
II. Canaries ..... Anonymous C. 1600
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch.
Song accompanied by the lute.
"O Misiris Myne." ..... Anonymous C. 1550
Miss Kathleen Salmon.
A piece for the Virginals.
"Muscadin" ..... Anonymous C. 1610
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch.
Fantazie for treble and bass viols.
"La Caccia" ..... Thomas Morley. 1595
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch. Mrs. Mabel Dolmetsch.
Two pieces for the viola da gamba, accompanied by the harpsichord.
I. "Divisions on a Ground" ..... Christopher Sympson. 1656
II. Prelude and sarabande Marin Marais. 1695
Mrs. Mabel Dolmetsch.
Two pieces for the harpsichord.
I. "Le Coucon" ..... Claude Daguin C. 1720
II. Sonata in A major ..... Domenico Scarlatti C. 1720
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch.
Song accompanied by the harpsichord.
"Gia il Sole" ..... Alessandro Scarlatti C. 1700
Miss Kathleen Salmon.
"The Harmonious Blacksmith," with variations for the harpsichord ..... F. Handel. 1721
Miss Kathleen Salmon.
Sonata for the viola d' amors, accompanied by the harpsichord ..... Attilio Ariosti C. 1715
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch.
"Troisieme Concert" for the viola d'amore, viola da gamba and harpsichord.
I. "La Lapoplinere.... J. P. Rameau. 1731
II. "La Timide" ..... J. P. Rameau. 1731
III. Deux tambourins.... J. P. Rameau. 1731
Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch, Mrs. Mabel Dolmetsch, Miss Kathleen Salmon.

At the meeting of the Tuesday Musical club next Tuesday the program will be rendered by Felix Hughes, baritone, of Cleveland, and the club choral under the direction of James Stephen Martin. The meeting will be held in the Hotel Schenley ballroom, as usual.

TO REPLACE OLD ACT ON STATE PRINTING

This is Object of Measure Which Will Be First Bill Introduced Before New Legislature.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 3.—The first bill to be introduced in the next legislature will be one to take the place of the old and obsolete act which governs the state printing. This bill is being prepared by A. Nevin Pomeroy, superintendent of public printing and binding, with the help of Gov. Pennypacker and Attorney General Carson.

It is Pomeroy's purpose to have the bill presented simultaneously in the house and senate on the opening day of the session, referred to special committees, and rushed through both bodies on a special order. The purpose of this hurry is that the proposed act shall be in force when bids are opened late in January for the state printing contract for the next four years.

The present law has been in force since 1874, and does not apply to the linotype and other modern methods of printing. Unless the Pomeroy bill becomes a law before bids are opened in January, it will not become operative until 1909, Attorney General Carson having decided that under the present law the contract must be let for a period of four years.

The state printing and binding is now done by Stanley W. Ray of Harrisburg, who has had the contract eight years.

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

Advices from Globe, Ariz., report that the management of the Old Dominion Mining Company is planning for the sinking of another three compartment shaft at a point on the west side of Final creek.

The first of the machinery for the new chlorination plant for the Jumbo mine at Buffalo Hump, Idaho, will be rushed into the camp with all possible speed.

The Colorado & Southern railway has delivered a traction engine and other fixtures at Folsom, N. M., for the Sater Mining Company, which has opened up a copper mine amout 35 miles east of Folsom on the Cimarron river.

During the third week of November the shipments of smelting and crude ores, tailings and concentrates from Black Hawk, Col., to the Denver and Golden smelters and to outside points were 72 cars, or 1,500 tons.

The lease on the January at Goldfield, Nev., continues to be the banner producer of the district, the daily output averaging about 40 tons, one-third of which is high-grade shipping ore.

The Phoenix Mining Company of Arizona is preparing to spend $200,000 on its Shasta county holdings, principal among which is the Mount Shasta mine just west of the town of Shasta, Cal.

Since the properties of the old Ray & O'Brien and Ray-Tonopah mining companies at Ray, Nev., were taken over by the Ray Consolidated Mining Company, a large amount of developing work has been done on the various claims. A large shoot of ore was recently encountered on the 800-level, and a winze which is now being sunk on this ore shoot has exposed 30 inches of silver-galena ore.

R. A. Fitz-Gibbon, secretary of the Mexican-Standard Mining Company of New York, who is back from the property, reports that the company has sunk its double compartment shaft to a depth of 250 feet, and has commenced cross-cutting for the main vein. He brought home samples of the five-foot blind vein, which was struck at a depth of 220 feet in the shaft. These samples were assayed and give 7 ounces in silver. This ore has followed the shaft for about 50 feet.

The copper output of the Atlantic company of Michigan for November was 596,165 pounds, against 690,845 pounds in the corresponding month last year. The output of the Wolverine company for the month was 1,047,300 pounds, against 1,020,430 pounds in November last year. The output of the Mohawk company was 882,035 pounds, against 723,620 pounds in the corresponding month last year. The output of the Franklin company was 631,000 pounds, against 740,650 pounds in the corresponding month last year.

According to advices from Tonopah the ore shipments last week aggregated 1,473 tons, of which 344 tons came from Goldfield. The shipments are divided as follows: Tonopah company, 645 tons of ore and 87 tons of sacked ore; Montana-Tonopah, 109 tons; Belmont, 190 tons; Tonopah Extension, 50 tons. From Goldfield Combination, 40 tons; Bowes-Kernick lease, 153 tons; January lease, 44 tons; Florence lease, 103 tons. Southwestern Nevada Mines Co., 70 tons; Quincy, 30 tons.

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Bid.
Allouez	17½	17¾	17½	17¾
Adventure	6½	6½	6½	6½
North Star	*.23	†.25	.....	.....
Atlantic	17½	17½	17½	17½
Bingham	37	37	37	37¼
Calumet & Arizona	.....	.....	.....	105
McNamara	*.22	†.23	.....	.....
Midway	*.34	†.36	.....	.....
Calumet & Hecla	675	675	675	675
Centennial	28¾	28¾	28¼	28¼
Calumet & Pgh	†45	.....	.....	44
Elm River	3	3	3	3
Franklin	12¼	12¼	12½	.....
Junction Dev.	.....	.....	.....	74
Greene	31½	31¾	31⅝	31¾
Isle Royale	†26½	.....	.....	26
Lake Sup. & Pgh.	†45¼	.....	.....	45
Mass.	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	9⅝
Mohawk	54	54½	54	54⅛
Michigan	9	9	8⅝	8⅝
Red Top	*.15	†.16	.....	.....
Osceola	94	96¼	84	96
Old Dominion	27¼	27¼	27¼	27
Parrot	†31	.....	.....	30
Phoenix	†2½	.....	.....	3
Pittsburgh & Duluth	†25	.....	.....	24
Range Consolidated	70	70	65¼	69¼
Trinity	12	12⅝	11⅝	12⅛
Tamarack	†127½	.....	.....	125
United Fruit	107	107	107	106⅝
Utah	45½	45⅝	40½	45½
U. S. Mining	28¾	28¾	28¼	28¼
Victoria	†4⅝	.....	.....	4⅝
Wolverine	108	108	108	107½
Winona	11	11	11	11
Tonopah Montana	*1.67	†1.72	.....	.....
Jumbo Extension	*.18	†.19	.....	.....
Goldfield	*.60	†.62	.....	.....

*Bid. †Asked.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—The market today continued without any great price changes. Manipulation was again in evidence in Copper Range and Trinity and it looks as if some interest was about to make a move in these two stocks. The market on Osceola was very erratic, the stock selling at 94, and then on rumors of a dividend in the near future the stock jumped to 96½, with no sales between 94 and 96. Mohawk was in a little better demand than it has been for the last few days and after selling at 54 closed at 54½ bid. The price which has been made a large seller of United States Mining was selling again today from 28¾ to 28¼. The floating supply of Atlantic seems to be getting smaller and any demand for the stock now lifts the price easily.

Uraguay Officials Visit Pittsburgh.

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The popular priced theater is the bushel that frequently hides the light of a clever and ambitious musician. People who patronize melodrama and light musical attractions are little for classical music, and the director of the orchestra in a playhouse that caters to this class of patronage must give his audience popular airs and old-time music which they demand. Mendelsohn's "Spring song," the intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana" and a dash of the overture from "Faust" may be appreciated sometimes, but he knows too well that he must not thrust Wagnerian selections into his programs, the latest Indian two-step is more to their liking.

Emil O. Wolff, director of the Bijou orchestra, finds himself facing this dilema. Mr. Wolff's training and his musical ideals are far above coon songs and two steps, and he has won appreciation for the best music in the face of a clientelle that would accept common street ballads. Mr. Wolff organized his orchestra seven years ago and its players are favorably known in musical circles. Miss Wolff is the only woman in the country who can boast of playing in a big city theater with her father as a daughter of the conductor and joined the orchestra last season.

Mr. Wolff was born in Frankfort-on-the Main in Germany and studied under Hess and Hauff. He came to this country when 17 years of age and spent some time traveling. He was conductor of the orchestra in the Herald Square theater in New York for a time and came to Pittsburgh in 1895. For three seasons he directed the orchestra in the Duquesne theater.

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We want a few traveling men to carry this as a side line, and can place several good men as managers in branch offices we are now opening in some of the large cities. The investment required is very small, and none at all if good references are given. This is no catchpenny advertisement, as we do not ask you to send us any money; just write for information, and we will place you in a position to make a thousand dollars during the next three or four months. Call or write W. A. McCOY, MANAGER, ROOM 25, No. 12 FEDERAL ST., ALLEGHENY, PA.

EVERYBODY write for trick and novelty catalogue; free. Empire Novelty Co., box 35, Empire, O.

Male Help.

A MAN with $300 to invest as partner in light manufacturing company in Allegheny. Address S 205, The Gazette.

A SALESMAN of ability can learn where his efforts will be appreciated and paid for accordingly by addressing F 205, The Gazette.

A PITTSBURGH financial institution has an opening in its bond department for a high class man. Address, with references, G 205, The Gazette.

ALL STRANGERS in city seeking employment, call. Positions guaranteed; 14 successful years in the business; traveling and clerical positions a specialty; situations secured for the unemployed; give us a trial and be convinced; the reliable place. GUARANTEE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, room 3, 205 Federal st., Allegheny.

ARE YOU SEEKING EMPLOYMENT? A LIST OF VACANCIES NOW READY; NEW ORDERS DAILY, FROM OFFICE MANAGERS TO PORTERS. TECHNICAL AND MECHANICAL POSITIONS SECURED. STAR BUREAU, 120 SIXTH STREET.

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CIRCULARS and sample distributors wanted everywhere; no canvassing; good pay. Co-Operative Adv. Co., N. Y.

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FOUNDRY FOREMAN—Only practical men need apply; salary $100. N 246, Gazette.

FREE—HERE YOU ARE BOYS—FREE. A complete tool chest with 10 tools given for selling 24 packages of fine laundry bluing which you can readily sell at 10 cents a package. Best bluing in the market, send name and address; no money; we mail you the blue. When sold remit us the money, $2.40, and we will at once send you the tool chest or your choice of 50 other elegant premiums. Write at once, we trust you.
HOME SUPPLY CO.,
Dept. 2. Greenville, Pa.

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Railway Mail Clerks.
Stenographers and Typewriters.
Clerks, Departmental Service.
Bookkeeper, Observer Weather Bureau.
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Postoffice: Carriers and Clerks.
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Mention position desired and information as to how to proceed in securing same will be furnished free by SUPT. COCHRAN, 310 Empire Bldg.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—More than 30,000 appointments last year; chances even better now; examinations soon in every state; circular 179 giving positions, salaries, examinations, sample questions, etc., sent free. National Cor. Institute, Wash., D. C.

HEALTHY men desiring positions in Panama; send 6 cents postage for booklet of particulars, etc. Tasea Bros., Box 297-D, New Orleans, La.

HIGH GRADE positions open to Executive, Clerical, Technical and Salesmen paying from $1,000 to $5,000 a year. Call or write
HAPGOODS (Inc.) "Brain Brokers,"
706 Park Bldg., Pittsburgh.

IF YOU are capable of earning $50 to $100 a week, I want you; none other need address N 205, The Gazette.

LABORERS wanted; ten laborers. Apply Contractor, Star Works, American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, Twelfth st., city.

LOCAL SALESMEN to carry manufacturer's line of gloves in Pennsylvania on commission; state age, experience and references. Address Manufacturer, 507 N. Robey st., Chicago.

MAN—Under 35, to prepare for Gov't Position. Salary $800 with promotion to $1500. Fine opening. Box 570, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

MEN—10 men in each state to travel, tack signs and distribute samples and circulars of our goods; salary $75 per month; $3 per day for expenses. Kuhlman Co., Dept. D 6, Atlas Block, Chicago.

SALESMEN—A Pittsburgh manufacturing company will make favorable arrangements with experienced salesmen to sell to local dealers in Pennsylvania and Ohio, exclusive county rights for a patented article required by families, cities and hotels generally; over 20,000 already sold by dealers; capable, energetic men can make $100 to $300 weekly. For interview (in Pittsburgh) address P. O. Box 1574.

SALESMAN—Traveling through the state seeing retailers to handle on commission a strong side line of dry goods specialties. Bryn Mawr Mills, Philadelphia, Pa.

STENOGRAPHER—Young man, with some knowledge of lumber business, in small town 30 miles from Pittsburgh; must write good hand; state salary. Address C 205, The Gazette.

STOCK SALESMEN—Several first-class high-grade men with ability and good address to place limited amount of stock in industrial enterprise, absolutely safe, with good future and permanent position if satisfactory; references; Address William L. Aitland, 716 Traction and Terminal building, Indianapolis, Ind.

SALESMEN wanted everywhere to handle Novelty Sign Cards; every merchant buys from 10 to 100 on sight; 800 varieties; catalogue free. Sullivan Co., 1139 Maplewood ave., Chicago, Ill.

The time has come for those who are seeking an opportunity to better their conditions to place their applications for some of the good vacancies that occur January 1 of every year. Information as to how we conduct our business or the method used in locating vacancies absolutely free.
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434 Fourth ave.

THREE rough carpenters, 25 to 30 cents per hour.
THE MERCANTILE (INC.), 434 Fourth ave.

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FIRST-CLASS SALESMAN TO SELL COPPER STOCKS. PROPERTY SHIPPING ORE. ONLY THOSE HAVING EXPERIENCE AND REFERENCE NEED APPLY. C 246, THE GAZETTE.

WANTED—By a company manufacturing electric railway material in central Ohio, an assistant in engineering department, capable of designing, testing and drafting; electric technical graduate with knowledge of shop requirements preferred; state age, salary expected, experience and give references. Address P 205, The Gazette.

WANTED—Experienced floor manager for womens and infants' wear dept.; must have considerable experience and furnish references; salary from $15 to $25 a week. Address E. 132, The Gazette.

WANTED—Solicitors—cooper proposition; local company; large sales being made; any person can sell; experienced solicitors can make large sales; reference. Address P. O. Box 403, city.

WANTED—Young man as district superintendent; must be of good character and first work for 20 days at $2 a day, after that advancement. Regal Mfg. Co., office A 820, Buffalo, N. Y.

WANTED—Two experienced telegraph operators to learn retail cigar business, young men about 25 years of age preferred. 906 Liberty st., city.

WANTED—Salesman of ability to represent company furnishing light and heat to consumers; high class; estimated can make $2,500 yearly. Address N 180, Gazette.

WANTED—50 collectors, insurance or installment, to work for me; no interference with your regular work; you ask a question and I do the rest; easy money; enclose stamp. Address O 430, Gazette.

WANTED—Experienced soda clerks; reference required. Address V 205, The Gazette.

WORK—We pay 25c each for writing short plain letters; particulars free. Central Supply Co., 1538 Dennis st., Cincinnati, O.

WANTED.

Male Help.

WOOD TURNER wanted. Apply at once Beck Bros.' Planing Mill, Tenth ward, McKeesport.

YOUNG MEN to learn telegraphy and accept positions on railroad; rare opportunity; call at once. PENNSYLVANIA TELEGRAPH COLLEGE, No. 606-601-602-603 Lewis Block.

YOUNG men everywhere, copy letters, home evenings, $9.50 week; send addressed envelope for particulars. Manager Dept. S 232, Box 1411, Philadelphia, Pa.

Female Help.

A WOMAN, not under 25, who has had business experience, is wanted to act as assistant to manager; do not want a stenographer or bookkeeper, but a business woman. Address, with references, J 205, The Gazette.

AN OPENING for a woman of actual business experience is hereby announced; must be of unimpeachable character. Address, with references, H 206, The Gazette.

GIRL—For general housework; good laundress; must be able to do plain cooking; wages $4. Apply 291 Main st., East End, city.

GIRL—Girl for housework; two in family; $4.50 week up. 1215 Esplanade st., Allegheny.

JOURNALISM and Short Story Writing—If you are an easy and graceful writer you should investigate our courses; they are thorough and practical and under the direction of experienced journalists; this is an attractive and profitable field for women of culture and talents. Ask for Bulletin "L 8." National Correspondence Institute, Washington, D. C., or Pittsburgh office, 310 Empire Building.

LADIES wanted everywhere copying letters at home, evenings or spare time and return to us; no mailing or canvassing. $9 weekly earned; materials free; inclose self-addressed envelope for particulars. Guarantee Co., No. S 232, Ninth st., Philadelphia, Pa.

OFFICE GIRL—$4 per week; resident of Allegheny preferred; state age and experience. Address R 197, The Gazette.

WANTED 200
SALESLADIES
—at—
KAUFMANN'S

for the following departments—gloves, handkerchiefs, leather goods, books, fancy goods, jewelry, china and toys. None but those with experience and good references need answer. Apply between 8 and 10 a. m., Monday, at superintendent's office, Kaufmann's.

WANTED—Nurse girl for small baby; must be experienced and bring references. 235 South Atlantic ave., East End.

WANTED—Penman to address postal cards. Apply at Arnfeld's Monday morning. Address U 205, The Gazette.

WOMEN—$7 to $10 weekly earned doing plain sewing at home; material sent free everywhere prepaid; stamped addressed envelope brings particulars. Union Company, 1216 Filbert st., Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN to sew at home, $9 per week; materials sent everywhere free, steady work, plain sewing only; send addressed envelope for full particulars. S. K. M., Du Pont, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN AND MEN—$10 per week made easily copying at home leisure time; no canvassing; stamped envelope for particulars. Winter Remedy Co., St. Paul, Minn.

WOMEN earn $20 per hundred writing short letters; send stamped envelope for particulars. Ideal Mfg. Co., Cassopolis, Mich.

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YOUNG WOMAN who would be interested in the occult to develop as a sensation similar to Anna Eva Fay; experience unnecessary; good pay for hours employed. Address R 205, The Gazette.

YOUNG ladies you can earn from $5 to $15 each week doing a little work for us each day. 202 Bessemer Bldg.

Male and Female Help.

UNEMPLOYED CALL AT COLLINS EMPLOYMENT BUREAU, 4014 PENN AVE., BELL 418-R FISK. POSITIONS PROMPTLY SECURED.

EXCELLENT opportunity to learn barber trade; also manicuring taught.
NOSSOKOFF'S BARBER SCHOOL,
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Situations—Male.

COMMERCIAL DRAUGHTSMAN—Five years' experience; open to engagements after Jan. 1. X 246, Gazette.

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STENOGRAPHER—Young woman desires position as stenographer; first-class; rapid, accurate, experienced. References. Can operate several machines. L 246, The Gazette.

GERMAN girl wants situation; good cook and laundress. 1215 Esplanade st., above North ave.

SITUATION—By German girl; good cook and laundress; reference. 1215 Esplanade st., above North ave., Allegheny.

THOROUGH housekeeper wants situation; reference. 1215 Esplanade st., Allegheny.

Partners.

WANTED PARTNER—Young man with $1,000 to take active interest in a legitimate business; will bear close investigation; strict attention will bring good profits. Address V 246, The Gazette.

Real Estate.

LANDLORDS and OWNERS of PROPERTY

TAKE NOTICE.
We will serve January Quit Notice to your tenants, Rent Your Property and Collect Your Rents till April 1, '05, Without Any Cost or Charges, if you will place with us The Renting of Your Property for Next Year. List Your Property at Once with Rent Department.

Aronson Realty Company,
ARONSON BLDG. 646 FIFTH AVE.
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RENT PROPERTY FOR OTHERS,
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We will serve January quit notices on your tenants free of charge, rent your property and keep it rented and collect your rents for 3 per cent.
List your property with our rent department.
ARONSON-FRIEDMAN CO.,
436 Fourth ave.

WANTED—REAL ESTATE.
Want thoroughly modern residence in East End, not less than 15 rooms; will pay cash for suitable place.
NEWCOMER, P. O. BOX 246.

LANDLORDS.
List your vacant houses with me. I can rent them for you quickly. If your houses are occupied I will serve new-year's quit notices and collect your rents free of charge until April 1, 1905, when I am given charge thereafter.
ALBERT H. OYER, 421 Fourth ave.
AGENT FOR PAUL PLACE PLAN OF LOTS.

Financial.

WANTED OIL OPERATOR
to develop block of 1,200 acres; territory located in Harrison county, Ohio; territory within one mile of producing well.
D. V. HECK,
Room 208, Home Trust Building, City.

Pupils.

DAY AND NIGHT SCHOOL—Ladies' tailoring, cutting, fitting, sewing taught. McCormac School, 402 Mutual Bldg., 117 West Ohio st., Allegheny.

TUITION BUREAU of languages and commercial correspondence. Miss Nunez, 219 Sixth st., room 14, Pittsburgh.

M'DOWELL SYSTEM of dresscutting received gold medal over all others at St. Louis exposition. McDowell School, 404 Penn ave., city.

GERMAN, FRENCH, SPANISH, ITALIAN—Berlitz School of Languages, Nixon bldg.

Farms.

WANTED—to rent, farm of about 80 or 100 acres, near Pittsburgh; state price. Mark Emanuel, box 462, Homestead.

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Seven Days for Price of Six.

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WANTED.

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WHEAT IS ADVANCING.
A fortune is easily made if you will buy wheat.
R. M. WEAVER,
223 Fourth ave.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

SHEET METAL STAMPING.
In brass, aluminum and steel.
Die work of any kind.
Estimates given.
THE FOREMAN CAN CO.,
'Phone 59, Irwin, Pa.

HAVE a cash buyer for a good brick house, 6 or 8 rooms; Oakland district; price not to exceed $5,500 to $7,500. What have you to offer. Address
HOME REAL ESTATE CO.,
Room 416, Ferguson Bldg.

A MAN with $300 to invest as partner in light manufacturing company in Allegheny. Address T 205, The Gazette.

Students.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY DISCOUNTS

Scholarships for Presents.

In accordance with our Annual Custom the Faculty of THE ACTUAL BUSINESS COLLEGE will issue ONE HUNDRED SCHOLARSHIPS during the HOLIDAY SEASON, allowing SPECIAL HOLIDAY DISCOUNTS. To enable parents to give their sons and daughters Useful-Money-Making Educations for Christmas Presents, payments made to suit. All students securing Christmas Scholarships last season have honorable and profitable positions. Ask our students. They're in positions to know. THE ACTUAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, 310 Fifth Avenue—TEN-CENT STORE BLDG. Efficiently conducted by responsible Pittsburgh educators and established twenty-five years. Practical Education here guarantees positions through our Free Employment Department. 'Phone 2250 Court.

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BUSINESS opportunity; we have a customer for a good rooming house; about $500; will pay cash.
HALLER-DIBERT REAL ESTATE CO.,
118 Sheriden st.

Miscellaneous.

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THE
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In the
Aronson Building,
646 FIFTH AVE., COR. TUNNEL ST.
ARE NOT CONNECTED WITH ANY OTHER FIRM OR COMPANY, AND HAVE NO OTHER OFFICE IN TOWN, AND DO ALL THEIR BUSINESS IN THE ARONSON BUILDING ON FIFTH AVENUE.

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A fortune is easily made if you will buy wheat.
R. M. WEAVER,
223 Fourth ave.,
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FISCHER'S PURE APPLE.
FISCHER'S PURE APPLE CIDER.
Sold quart bottles and gallon jugs.
At your grocers—ALWAYS SWEET.

VOL-TA-IC diamonds are the most wonderful discovery of the age; lasting brilliancy; send for free catalogue. Arons, jeweler, 206 and 207 Smithfield st.

MODERN HOUSE in good location in East End; price not to exceed $7,000; state full particulars, O 246, Gazette.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 6624 Butler st. Both telephones.

SLOAN, PROSPECTUSES AND MAILING LISTS.
912 Farmers Bank Bldg.

WANTED—Second-hand 4½x9 billiard table. Address W 246, The Gazette.

MANNISH kid gloves $1.00, for boys and girls. Just the caper. Louvre, 504 Market.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.

Always be sure to mention that you saw this adv. in The Gazette.

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Auburn st., 2 furnished housekeeping rooms.$12
Emerson st., 2 large furnished rooms, including gas..... 18
Shetland ave., 2 large rooms..... 12
All kinds of rooms everywhere.
LIBERTY ROOM RENTING BUREAU,
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BIDDLE AVE., 209, Wilkinsburg—Large front room, excellent location; private family; convenient to city.

BOQUET ST., 3442, Oakland—Nicely furnished room; second floor, all conveniences; private family.

CARSON ST., 2419—Furnished or unfurnished rooms; reasonable rates; gas, light housekeeping.

CLIMAX ST., 11, Beltzhoover—Furnished room, for one or two gentlemen; bath gases.

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COAL AND SWISSVALE AVES., Edgewood—Good furnished room, fine location, near electric cars and railroad station.

COAL ST. and Swissvale ave., Edgewood, near electric car lines and P. R. R. station; fine furnished rooms for gentlemen.

CRAIG ST., 276 N.—Furnished room.

DE ROUAND, 2081, near Fifth ave. and Seneca—Furnished single room.

DITHRIDGE ST., 36, South—Newly furnished front room; refined private family.

DOUBLE parlor to let, suitable for physician, rent reasonable. 4712 Fifth ave., near Neville st.

ELM ST., 70—Well-furnished front room, rent reasonable; private family.

EVERETT ST., 4, cor. Hill, Wilkinsburg—Two or three unfurnished rooms; bath, gas.

ELSINORE SQUARE, 3223—Furnished rooms to let with all conveniences.

FIFTH AVE. AND SENECA ST., Jumonville apartments, No. 2061—Furnished rooms; ring upper bell.

FIFTH AVE., 2001, city—Furnished front room, suitable for two gentlemen; private family.

FIFTH AVE., 1934—Well-furnished rooms for gentlemen; all conveniences; 'phone 4871 M.

FIFTH AVE., 3826—Furnished suite, three rooms, complete for housekeeping.

FIFTH AVE., No. 2362—Nice large room; gas, cheap; furnished.

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FORBES ST., 2339—Rooms single or en suite, furnished or unfurnished; both gases; elegant location.

FORBES ST., 3349—Furnished rooms with board; two rooms on second floor and parlor with connecting bedroom.

FORTY-SECOND ST., 109, Lawrenceville, below Butler—Roomers wanted.

FORTY-FOURTH ST., 248—Two connecting rooms, furnished for housekeeping; private family.

FORTY-FOURTH ST., 211—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping.

FRANKLIN AVE., 435, Wilkinsburg, Pa.—Furnished rooms; five minutes from station.

GRANDVIEW AVE., 530, Mt. Washington—For rent—One or two furnished rooms for light housekeeping or gentlemen; all conveniences.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.

City and Suburban.

HAZELWOOD AVE., 91—Well furnished room, every convenience; private family; gentlemen preferred.

HERMITAGE ST., 7324—Newly furnished front room, new house, both gases, bath; private family.

HILL AVE., 1027, Wilkinsburg—One nicely furnished room, near Swissvale ave. and cars.

JEANNETTE ST., 522, Wilkinsburg—Neatly furnished front room; all conveniences; near East Pittsburgh cars.

KELLEY AVE., 311, Wilkinsburg—Large comfortably furnished front room; steam heat; all conveniences.

KELLET AVE., 411, Wilkinsburg—Large comfortably furnished room, on East Pittsburgh car line.

KELLY ST., 7309—Large, comfortably furnished front room, suitable two gentlemen; $3 week.

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LYTLE ST., 1968, near Elizabeth—Well furnished front room, use bath; gentlemen preferred.

MAPLE AVE., 49, Allentown—Furnished front room; all conveniences; for two or three gentlemen.

NEW GRANT ST., 732½, cor. Liberty—Furnished rooms, $1, $1.50 week; near depot.

NORTH CRAIG ST., 225—Very desirable room; all conveniences; electric light.

OAKLAND AVE., 226—Well-furnished room, private family; all conveniences; gentlemen; reasonable.

OPHELIA ST., 334, Oakland—Nicely furnished second story room; all conveniences; gentlemen.

OPHELIA ST., 334, Oakland—Nicely furnished second story room all conveniences gentlemen.

PEEBLES ST., 642, Wilkinsburg—One furnished front room, all conveniences; private family; gentleman.

"PENNY WISE AND POUND FOOLISH" is the boarding house keeper who has an empty chair at the table or a vacant room in the house. That vacant place costs money. Why let it remain so? The Pittsburgh Gazette's classified columns are read by people looking for just such a place as you have to offer.

PENN AVE., 820, Wilkinsburg—Three rooms, bath, gas, range; inquire in bakery.

PENN AVE., 2943, opposite Troy laundry—Convenient for rocking chair; nicely furnished rooms, bath, all conveniences; board optional.

PITNEY HOTEL, 308 Grant st.—Newly furnished rooms, $2 50 week; all accommodations.

PLEASANT room in best part of West Wilkinsburg, with private family, to woman of refinement; $10 monthly; board optional. W 157, The Gazette.

REBECCA AVE., 427, Wilkinsburg—Nice large furnished room, every modern convenience; near cars.

ROOMS—Widow with modern flat, location, Fifth ave., will rent furnished rooms; lady employed or gentleman. Address K 197, The Gazette.

ROSS AVE., 1128, Wilkinsburg—Desirably furnished front room; every convenience; near car line.

SHILOH ST., 37, Mt. Washington—Two connecting rooms, will rent separately; all conveniences, near incline on tunnel line.

SIDNEY ST., 1820, S. S.—Large, nicely furnished front room, all conveniences.

SOUTH CRAIG ST., 406, third house from Forbes—Furnished rooms and board; private family; all conveniences.

SOUTHERN AVE., 123—One or two furnished rooms, fine sleeping room, parlor room, with piano; all on one floor.

STEVENSON ST., 22, corner Forbes—Two furnished front rooms, all conveniences; steam heat, electric lights; $15 and $20 month.

TRENTON AVE., 1006, Wilkinsburg—Front alcove room, neatly furnished; boarding near by; moderate rate.

WE CAN rent your furnished rooms, no matter where. See H. E. NICKUM & CO., 831 Fourth ave.

WANTED—A couple or two young men to occupy front room. 3422 Forbes st.

WEBSTER AVE., 707—Large comfortably furnished parlor bedroom, suitable three men; also bedroom and kitchen for housekeeping.

WEST ST., 412, Wilkinsburg—Furnished room, all conveniences, reasonable; near cars and station.

WOODLAWN AVE., fourth door from Southern, Mt. Oliver—Furnished room; private family; bath.

WYLIE AVE., 2843—Furnished rooms, for gentlemen; breakfast if desired; all conveniences convenient.

WYLIE AVE., 2207—Two nice front rooms, furnished, light housekeeping; bath, gases; good neighborhood.

East End.

ALDER ST., 6205—2 nicely furnished rooms; all conveniences, near Shady ave.; references required.

ALDER ST., 6205—Two furnished rooms; reasonable prices; all conveniences.

ALDER ST., 5880—Nurses' home vacancies for two people; cozy room, with parlor, piano, 'phone, housekeeping privileges.

ALDER ST., 6205, East End—Nicely furnished rooms; all conveniences; reasonable price.

BAUM ST., 5009—Well-furnished front room; every convenience; three gentlemen; reasonable rates.

"BEECHWOOD INN," Forbes and Shady ave., Squirrel Hill—Suite of unfurnished rooms, with board, on second floor.

CENTER AVE., 4885—Nicely furnished rooms, with board, between Craig and Neville.

CRAIG ST., NORTH, 225—Very desirable room; all conveniences, with electric light.

DENNISTON AVE., 407—Two nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences.

ELLSWORTH AVE., 5728—Well furnished front room, first floor; conveniences; on car line.

EVALINE ST., 423—Finely furnished front room, with all conveniences; suitable for one or two gentlemen.

FOR RENT—A few furnished rooms. Dr. Anderson, cor. Neville and Ellsworth.

FORBES ST., 3528, cor. Meyran ave.—Unusually large, cheerful third-story furnished room; front and back one, with private bath; excellent table board and very convenient location; attractive surroundings.

FOR RENT—Two connecting rooms, first floor, suitable for doctor's office, or bed room and sitting room. Furnished or unfurnished. Collins ave. Address K 246, The Gazette.

FRANKSTOWN AVE., 824—Furnished or unfurnished rooms; first floor; conveniences.

FURNISHED front room one or two gentlemen, first floor new flat, near Highland cars. Address U 246, The Gazette.

HALE ST., 99, near Frankstown—First flat, newly furnished front room, gentlemen preferred.

HARVARD ST., 5825—Comfortably furnished front room, every modern convenience; good location.

HAYS ST., E. E.—Large nicely furnished second story front room, every convenience, suitable for one or two; close to cars; breakfast or dinner if desired; private family. Address Z 180, The Gazette, or 'phone 2102 R, Highland.

HIGHLAND AVE., 821, South—Handsomely furnished, very desirable room and bath, for one or two gentlemen; private, quiet; all conveniences; terms very reasonable; reference. Inquire at above address.

HOWE ST., 5429—Large furnished front room, both gases and bath; gentlemen.

KELLY AVE., 7309—Large, comfortably furnished front room, suitable two gentlemen; $8 week.

LIBERTY AVE., 5117—Nicely furnished rooms with bath good boarding near.

LIBERTY AVE., 5117, E. E.—Call and see furnished rooms.

LIBERTY AVE., 5125—Large, well-furnished front room; every modern convenience; gentlemen only.

LIBERTY AVE., 5117—Nicely furnished rooms, with bath; good boarding near.

MARCHAND ST., 6447—Furnished front room for two persons; gases; reasonable.

MARCHAND ST., 6350—Furnished rooms; for gentleman; convenient to good board and car line.

MARGARETTA ST., 5713—Comfortably furnished room; best location; near cars and boarding.

MILLVALE AVE., 783—Three furnished or unfurnished rooms, with board if desired; on two car lines; just on Center.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.

East End.

MONTICELLO ST., 7125, Homewood—Comfortably furnished room, gentleman; steam heat, electric light, use bath, breakfast if desired.

NO. NEGLEY AVE., 112—Well-furnished rooms; every convenience; best location.

NORTH ST. CLAIR ST., 518—Nicely furnished room, all conveniences, gentlemen; access to all car lines; reasonable to permanent parties.

OPHELIA ST., 362, last house—Furnished or unfurnished rooms; housekeeping if desired.

PARKER ST., 5825—Two well-furnished front rooms; heat, light, $8, $10 month; ladies or gentlemen; references. Mrs. Craig.

PENN AVE., 4068, cor. Main—Nicely furnished room, all conveniences; gentlemen only.

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MEAT MARKET—Fine ice box; mable counters; computing scales; National cash register; doing a business of from $150 to $200 a week; located in East End; price, $300.
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ROOMING HOUSE—10 rooms, completely and well furnished; close to locks in Allegheny; receive front rents $75 a month; rent $35; price, $950.
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FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

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BUTTER, EGG AND MILK DEPOT—Located near Westinghouse shops; doing a business of $400 to $500 a month; cheap rent, only $15 monthly; good lease; price $350 if you act quick.

CIGARS AND CONFECTIONERY—Located everywhere. If you contemplate buying see us at once and take advantage of establishments that are really money-makers. Our foresight occasioned us to option them.

DRUG STORE—Out-of-town stand, doing a business of $500 a month; clearing above all expenses $150 to $200 a month; 6-year lease; price $3,300 cash; why, soda fountain cost $1,400 alone.

DRUG STORE—Exceptional propositions to offer you at prices ranging between $3,000 and $25,000. Consult us before purchasing and be convinced what we say is true.

EXPRESS BUSINESS—Best street in Oakland; optioned by us for 90 days; doing a business of $400 a month; rent $50; clearing above all expenses $250 monthly; splendid lease and no more attractive investment at price asked—$1,200; come in and let us tell you why.

EXPRESS BUSINESS—Equipment consists of 11 head horses, 9 wagons and harness, tools, etc.; good lease, 3 years to run, at a rental of $35 a month; now doing a business of over $1,000 a month. Why, this business cleared above all expenses to make in $3,000 last year. Price $10,000.

GROCERY—Best street in the city; doing a business of $350 a week; will sell at invoice, which will run between $1,200 and $1,500.

GROCERY—Penn ave., East End; sales $300 to $400 a month; equipment very latest; to settle an estate will sell at invoice, $1,000.

GROCERIES—See us at once if you contemplate buying; we have them and the best list in the city; all money-makers and establishments that will bear the most critical investigation.

HOTELS—We have them everywhere for sale; consult or get our list of some of the propositions we submit for your careful consideration:
Hotel, Jeanette.....$13,000
Hotel, Clearfield..... 10,000
Hotel, Bradford..... 5,500
Hotel, Erie..... 35,000
and many others.

LIVERY BOARDING STABLE—Located on one of the best streets in the city; fully equipped far above the average; doing a cash business of $900 a month; cleared present owner last year $7,000; cheap rent; good lease, 4 years and 7 months to run; price only $2,500; look it up at once; optioned by us this day.

LIVERY, BOARDING AND EXPRESS BUSINESS—Aristocratic neighborhood, in this city, catering to the elite trade; only building on leased ground; 7 years to run after June 1, 1905, at a ground rental of $6 a month; locality rapidly building up. You could get purchase price for your lease inside of two years. Equipment very latest; some 30 head of boarding horses at $23 to $25 a month; only express in neighborhood. Price, $6,500.

LIVERY STABLE—Here is your chance to get into the business on a small amount of capital, only $700. Just think of it! One of the very best stables in the city, doing a business of $345 monthly, clearing present owner $170 a month; lease alone worth $1,000; equipment easily worth purchase price.

MILLINERY—Located out of the city, doing a business of $4,000 a year with ease; rent only $300 a year; establishment all along clearing $1,500 to $1,800 yearly. Don't fail to look this item up at once. No better investment at price asked, only $1,800; just think of it.

MANICURING, HAIRDRESSING, FACIAL MASSAGE—Located in a prominent theater building in this city; equipment far above the average in this line; easily worth $1,000; cheap rent; good lease; doing a business of $200 a month, mostly all profit; price $900.

MERCHANT TAILORING BUSINESS—Doing a business of $12,000 a year; select patronage; clearing present owner, above all living expenses, $3,000 annually; stock of woolens easily worth at invoice $2,000, upon which basis it will be sold. Beyond a question of doubt one of the oldest established stands in the city.

MANICURING PARLORS—Downtown; doing a business of $15,000 a year; clearing, above all expenses, $5,000 annually; lease 2½ years to run, $100 a month; greatest bargain ever offered at the price asked, only $6,000.

MEAT MARKET—In the immediate vicinity of Turnegie steel mills, now doing a business of $200 to $225 weekly. Exceptional lease; cheap rent. For a quick sale will take $800 cash. Look it up at once.

MEAT, BUTTER, EGGS, COFFEE—In best business district on Butler street, now doing a business of $300 a week, which is increasing rapidly. Stand established 12 years; fixtures easily worth $1,000. Price only $1,050. Positively a bargain of a lifetime.

NEWSPAPER ROUTE—Established 20 years; handling 150 dailies and 100 Sundays, which owner does not try to increase on account of rheumatism. Easily clearing $100 a month after paying boys. For a quick sale today will take $675.

RESTAURANTS—Call at once and look over our list; carefully selected stands which will bear investigation.

RESTAURANT—In Allegheny; now doing a business of $280 weekly; established 12 years; only one of its kind in that neighborhood; why, equipment would invoice $1,500; 3 years' lease at a rental of $40 a month; price $1,000 cash.

SHOE STORE—Twenty minutes' ride from the postoffice; doing a business of $10,000 to $12,000 annually; rent only $35 a month; this stand cleared $2,000 last year; mostly men's $3.50 shoes; will be sold Monday sure at cost of invoice; fixtures free.

TRANSFER AND GENERAL HAULING COAL BUSINESS—Fully equipped to carry on said business, consisting of 12 head horses, 18 wagons; all new; 20 sets harness, etc.; easily worth $6,000; rent only $40; sales now average between $1,000 and $1,200 a month; clearing $500 a month with ease. Price only $4,000.

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BROKERS
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FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

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CONFECTIONERY STORE—One of the nicest little confectionery stores in Allegheny; very reasonable rent; 4 living rooms; doing a business of $100 a week; owner engaged in other business; if sold this week will take.....$300

RESTAURANT—In a good suburban town, 30 minutes' rids from Pittsburgh; does a business of $80 a week; near car barns; rent $25, including 4 rooms; a positive bargain $450

HALL, EVANS & CO.,
347-349 Fifth ave., Room 411.

CONFECTIONERY STORE—Elegant East End stand; fine large room; equipped with handsome floor cases, etc.; sales run $400 to $500 per month; will sell less than invoice; price only $900; finest stand offered for the money.

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MEAT MARKET—First-class stand; nearby suburb; complete equipment; rent shop and two living rooms, only $25 per month; sales averaging $225 per week cash; the location is the very best; no better stand for the price, $800.

MILLS-SLAUGENHOUPT CO.,
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—BILLIARD AND POOL ROOM—
In good location, E. E. city; 11 tables, large room, long lease, clearing over $50 a week. Investigate this. Will take $1,500 in real estate and the balance in cash. Price, $2,500, or will sell half interest for $1,250.
—SOCIETY—
Nice clean stock, fine room, good trade, will invoice $1,800; will sell to quick buyer for $1,300. This is a bargain.
—Also—
Grocery store, invoice.....$ 450
" " " 1,200
" " " 4,000
Hardware store.....6,000
—GENTS' FURNISHING & SHOE STORE—
In a good town, 17 miles from city; will exchange for improved property and assume mortgage. Price, $2,000.
ZAHNISER & CO.,
426 Fourth Ave.

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Room 310, 331 Fourth Ave.,
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Have the following stores to sacrifice within ten days:
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Room 310, 331 Fourth Ave.,
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A fortune is easily made if you will buy wheat.
R. M. WEAVER,
223 Fourth ave.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

GROCERY STORE—Good fixtures; horse and wagon; doing a business of from $150 to $175 a week; rent, $30; nice living rooms and barn; reason for selling, properties in other business. This is an old established stand and a fine location; ask nothing for good will; sell dollar for dollar; invoice about $1,200.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.
616 Times Bldg. 336 Fourth Ave.

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This is a strictly up-to-date, first-class place; the finest of bar fixtures. The restaurant is modern throughout; average amount of business, $1,500 a month; close to depot and established 20 years. Remember, there is $2,000 worth of stock included in this sale, place can be bought for $4,500. The owner states that he is clearing $250 to $300 a month.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.,
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$100 invested by our "Conservative Plan" in Stocks, Grain or Cotton should make $1,000 profit in a month. Write for particulars and market letter. Mailed free. C. A. Lane & Co., Bankers and Brokers, Keystone Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. Long-distance Bell telephone 3126 Court. Call us up.

GENTS FURNISHING GOODS—Will invoice about $1,500. Will exchange for small property and pay the balance in cash.

GROCERY STORE—Doing $150 per week. Price $600. Includes stock, fixtures and horse and wagon.
See our list of stores.
MILLER & HOWARD, 431 Fourth ave.

DRUG STORE.
About 20 miles from the city; the only drug store in the town; doing a good business; will sell at invoice or exchange for equal value of real estate. Price $3,000. Good reasons for selling.
VET L. BROWN,
Room 208. 331 Fourth ave.
Both 'phones.

FLORIDA HOTEL.
On the beautiful St. Johns river, 100 rooms, furnished; now open and guests arriving; owner has large interests elsewhere and will sell cheap; part trade.
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WE BUY STORES OF ANY DESCRIPTION.
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DAIRY FOR SALE—Milk route in town of 10,000 inhabitants and retailing 60 gallons a day; cans separator; horses, wagon and everything that goes with a first-class dairy. Address Box 102, Charleroi, Pa.

BUSINESS CHANCES.
POOL ROOM—6 pool tables, one billiard table; receipts will average $15 a day; a nice place; cheap to a quick buyer.
HOME REAL ESTATE CO.,
Room 416, Ferguson Bldg.

VERY cheap meat and grocery; old established stand; splendid location; cash trade; great opportunity. Address W 160, The Gazette.

FREE six months, a mining paper worth reading; it shows how to make money; write for it. North American Miner, 34 Broadway, New York.

GROCERY STORE—Doing $4,000 per month; will sell for less than invoice price. CURRIER COMPANY, 248 Fourth ave.

PHYSICIAN wanted to buy an established office in Indiana county, doing $5,000 per year; present owner wishes to take post-graduate course. Address 1310 Beaver ave., Allegheny.

FOR SALE—My United States and Canada patent; right man can push this article and sell to every farmer; will be sold cheap; write for description, etc. Address L. F. Volberding, Manson, Ia.

HARDWARE STORES—We have four good hardware stores for sale; one in Ohio for $2,000; one in Northern Pennsylvania for $4,000; two in Monongahela valley, one at $2,000 and one at $6,000.
HOWICK-CAVANAGH & CO.
608-609 Keystone Bldg., 324 Fourth ave.

IF YOU WANT to buy or sell any kind of business, see CAVANAGH & CO., 461 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

GROCERY STORE—44 miles from Pittsburgh; doing a business of $50,000 a year; established 25 years; long lease and it has cleared $20,000 in the last five years; can be bought at invoice, about $5,000.
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616 Times Bldg. 336 Fourth Ave.

WAGON WORKS and horseshoeing business—Located in suburban town; no competition; owner leaving country; this includes real estate and business; to be sold for $2,250.
F. G. CAWLEY, MGR.
608-609 Keystone Bldg., 324 Fourth ave.

BIG MONEY—$10 buys a put or call on 10,000 bushels of wheat or corn; no further risk; a movement of 5 cents makes you $500; write for circular. R. E. BRAMAN, 31 Dalmeyer block, Pittsburgh.

DRUG STORE—Located in good suburban town; sales about $20 per day; has trade of about five doctors; rent cheap; price $3,500; call or write.
JOHN R. CAVANAGH & CO.,
608-609 Keystone Bldg., 324 Fourth ave.

SALOON.
Has first-class bar fixtures, cash register, good stock on hand, and everything complete; in the business section of East Liverpool. This place is doing a business of $150 to $175 a week; long lease; rent $65, with living rooms; price $1,750; $1,300 cash and balance on time.
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A DISCREET operator can make a fortune on a railroad stock on information I can furnish. I want nothing until deal is closed, then a share of profits. Address Accountant, P. O. box 1136, New York City.

POSITION with local established corporation is open to man of ability and integrity. Investment from $5,000 to $10,000 required. N. 190, Gazette.

SELECT 14-room East End boarding house, well furnished; filled with permanent boarders; every convenience; low rent. Price $1,800 to quick purchaser. Address T 240, The Gazette.

FOR SALE—One of the finest and best equipped foundry and machine shops in the Pittsburgh district. Now doing prosperous business. M 246, The Gazette.

BUTTER AND EGG STORE—This is an excellent business location and doing a business of $150 to $200 a week, all cash; can be bought at invoice for $800.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.
616 Times Bldg. 336 Fourth Ave.

BAKERY—In Allegheny; doing business $300 week; all retail trade from store; established 15 years; price $3,000. CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

GROCERY STORE—In nearby town; doing business $125 week; price $800. CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

BUTTER, EGGS, TEA AND COFFEE STORE—In city; established 4 years; doing business $50 day; rent $20 mo.; price $1,500. CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

ROOMING HOUSE—In Allegheny; near parks, on Arch st.; 14 rooms, all furnished; great bargain if sold this week; price $600. CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

CIGAR STORE—ESTABLISHED 12 YEARS.
Doing a business of $125 to $135 a week; fine fixtures and nice storeroom with 7 living rooms; rent $41. This place is clearing $120 a month; will invoice all of price asked $1,000.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.
616 Times Bldg. 336 Fourth Ave.

PAINTING AND DECORATING BUSINESS—Located in suburban town; best store in town; rent $10 per mo.; sales about $350 a mo.; good reason for selling; price $800.
F. G. CAWLEY, MGR.,
608-609 Keystone Bldg., 324 Fourth ave.

PARTNER—FURNITURE, CARPET AND INSTALLMENT HOUSE—Established 5 years; doing an average business of $40,000 a year. The owner states he is clearing about $12,000 a year; stock, fixtures and all assets will invoice $30,000. Will sell ½ interest for $14,000.
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616 Times Bldg. 336 Fourth Ave.

FURNITURE business in Allegheny; established 4 years; stock $7,000; good accounts, $14,000; monthly business averages $3,500; this is a rare opportunity; requires very little cash to handle it. Address S. J. R., 407 East Ohio st., Allegheny.

GROCERY STORE—Down town location in Allegheny; doing a business of $175 a week, all cash; rent, $32; 7 living rooms; price, $500 or invoice.
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100 LOTS FREE.
Applicants sending stamp will receive deed of lot, size 25x100 feet; suburb New York. 20th Century Realty Co., 6 Wall st., New York.

DRUG AND CONFECTIONERY BUSINESS—Good location, low rent, easy terms. Snap for quick buyer. Call 2538 Fifth ave.

FOR SALE—Pool room, largest on the South Side, will sell cheap if sold quick. Geo. Moeller, Seventeenth and Rowland sts., S. S.

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I own and wish to sell one mortgage of $10,000.00 on a good double brick East End house worth $15,000.00.
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Both 6 per cent and almost three years to run. Will deal only with principals and will not pay any expenses except examination of title. Will furnish abstracts. Address Mortgage Owner, P. O. box 744, city.

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REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
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WOMAN desires the loan of $200 for 60 days; prefers to borrow same from woman; security unquestionable; badly in need of funds; will pay well for accommodation. Address, making appointment, L 200, The Gazette.

—WANTED—
$4,200—First mortgage on good residence property, worth $7,500.
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PRIVATE party wants to borrow $900 for short time; will pay regular interest and large bonus, giving gilt-edge security; arrange for meeting by addressing M 208, The Gazette.

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MONEY waiting in any amount for improved and suburban properties.
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WE HAVE MONEY TO LOAN IN LARGE OR SMALL SUMS ON GOOD SECURITY. CALL OR ADDRESS, CURRIER COMPANY, 248 FOURTH AVE.

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JOHN K. EWING & CO., 248 Fourth ave.

HAVE money for investment in mortgages on city property. WM. M. BELL, Times Bldg.

MONEY to loan on mortgages.
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FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

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ROOMING HOUSES—We have the most complete list in the city.

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GROCERY—Fine store in Homewood, with 5 rooms and stable; rent only $15.00, lease 3 years; doing $800 monthly; nice clean stock and fixtures. Worth the price asked—$600.

GROCERY AND MILK BUSINESS—Very best section of Allegheny; store and 7 fine rooms; rent only $55.000; selling 35 to 50 gals. milk daily. $900.

GROCERIES—If you want to buy, come in and see our list.

POOL ROOM—Best location in central Allegheny; 8 tables; good lease; low rent; positively clearing over $2,000 yearly. You can buy it this week for $1,500.

HOTEL—In best county seat town in Western Penna.; house doing $2,500 monthly. $13,000.

HOTELS AND SALOONS—See our list.

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Three-story solid brick hotel containing 35 sleeping rooms, large double parlors, fine office, large bar, reading room, dining room, with seating capacity for 50 people; large lot; opposite L. S. & M. S. and Nickel Plate R. R. depots at North East, Pa.; bar doing $50 per day, house $30 per day. This house is finished in fine style and furnished throughout with the best. Price, $20,000; will sell on easy terms.
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Room 208. 331 Fourth Ave.
Both 'phones.

BARBER SHOP—Four chairs; finest of fixtures in Allegheny county, and as good as new; cost $2,500 to furnish; rent only $33; 6 living rooms; 5-year lease; shop will clear above all expenses $50 per week; terms, $900 cash, balance easy; price, $1,200.
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ONE lot of second-hand gas engines, dynamos, motors, arc lamps, wire, etc.; experts for all kind of gas engine repairing, valves, springs, igniters, automatic starters—in fact everything in the line of gas engine repairs; also shafting, hangers and pulleys; general machine and experimental work; can we do your next job? Call 583 Court.
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ALL SHEET AND TIN PLATE MILLS TO BE OPERATED

Official announcement was made during the week that every sheet and tin plate mill owned by the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company will be in full operation before the end of this month. This will give employment to thousands of idle union men as the non-union plants of the company were operated almost steadily throughout the year. Some plants of this subsidiary company of the United States Steel Corporation have been abandoned and others have been greatly improved. A complete list of the 242 tin plate and 153 sheet mills owned by the company has just been compiled and is as follows:

Union tin plate plants:

Name and Location.	Number of Mills.
American, Elwood, Ind.	28
Anderson, Anderson, Ind.	7
Greer, New Castle, Pa.	20
Shenango, New Castle, Pa.	30
Sharon, Sharon, Pa.	29
La Belle, Wheeling, W. Va.	10
Laughlin, Martins Ferry, O.	23
Morewood, Gas City, Ind.	8
Cambridge, Cambridge, O.	6
Falcon, Niles, O.	6
Humbert, Connellsville	6
Pittsburgh, New Kensington	7
Pennsylvania, New Kensington	6
Total	177

Non-union tin plate plants:

Monongahela, Pittsburgh	8
Star, Pittsburgh	8
United States, McKeesport	11
National, Monessen	25
Crescent, Cleveland	6
Chester, Chester, W. Va.	7
Total	65

The Champion, a six-mill plant at Muskegan, Mich., the Banfield, a four-mill plant at Irondale, O., and the Beaver, a tin-mill plant at Lisbon, O., have been abandoned. The Monongahela works, which is credited with eight mills is operating under the Bray semi-continuous system and is regarded as equal to probably 14 mills.

Of the above plants eight mills at Elwood, Ind. were idle at the close of the week; seven mills at Anderson, Ind., 10 mills at Sharon, seven mills at Martins Ferry, O., and 12 at New Kensington. All of these mills will be started as soon as steel can be sent to them. The Humbert plant at Connellsville will be started on December 12.

Following is a complete list of independent tin plate plants in the country:

Name and Location.	Number of Mills.
Alcania Tin Plate Co., Avonmore	3
Canadian Sheet and Tin Plate Co., Canton, Ohio	6
Griffith Interests in Waynesburg	9
Griffith interests in Washington	2
Jackson Iron and Tin Plate Co., Clarksburg, W. Va.	8
Lalance and Grosjean, Harrisburg	4
National Enameling and Stamping Co., St. Louis	6
Pope Tin Plate Co., Steubenville, O.	12
N. & G. Taylor Co., Cumberland, Md.	8
McClure Company, Washington, Pa.	6
Whitaker-Glessner Co., Wheeling, W. Va.	4
McKeesport Tin Plate Co., Port Vue	16
Juniata Iron and Steel Company, Greensburg, Pa.	6
Standard Tin Plate Company, Canonsburg	5
Rolling Mill Company of America, Morgantown, W. Va.	10
Marietta Sheet and Tin Plate Co., Marietta, O.	4
Total	103

Of the independent plants the Alcania, Jackson, Juniata, Rolling Mill and Marietta are idle and the Griffith mills are not operating regularly. All the others are reported to be in full operation.

The American Sheet and Tin Plate Company owns 16 sheet plants containing 153 mills. At the close of the week 11 plants containing 111 mills were in full operation and five plants of 42 mills were idle. The idle plants are located at Bridgeport, O., Canton, O., No. 1 at Scottdale, Struthers, O., and Muncie, Ind. Mills at Bridgeport and Struthers and three of the six mills at Muncie are scheduled to start this week and the rest will be going when the steel necessary can be shipped. A revised list of the company's plants follows:

Location.	Number of Mills.
Bridgeport, O.	16
Canton, O.	5
Canal Dover, O.	10
Cambridge O.	7
Hyde Park, Pa.	5
Leechburg	10
Muncie, Ind.	6
New Philadelphia, O.	10
Piqua, O.	4
Saltsburg, Pa.	4
Scottdale, Pa., No. 1	9
Scottdale No. 2	6
Struthers, O.	6
Vandergrift, Pa.	29
Wellsville, O.	10
McKeesport, Pa.	16
Total	153

EXPECT TO WIN.

Structural Iron Workers Confident That Their New Wage Agreement Will Be Satisfactorily Adjusted.

The officers of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers are arranging for a conference with the Manufacturers association on the annual wage agreement. It is likely the meeting will be held early next week in New York. After the general agreement has been adjusted it will be presented to the individual concerns for signature.

The workers in the Pittsburgh district who compose local union No. 3 are not asking for an advance in wages and the present rate of 50 cents an hour and an eight-hour workday will be continued. One feature of the agreement that may be objected to by the employing concerns will be the termination of the scale on April 30 instead of December 31. The new agreement will be for 15 months, dating from January 1, 1905. Secretary William C. Bennett said yesterday that he does not anticipate any trouble. He declares the outlook for the coming year is unusually bright and the contracting companies will not have time to resist the demand for a 15-month's wage agreement.

Another referendum vote is to be taken by the organization to determine where the international headquarters shall be located. Voting sheets are to be sent out this week. The former headquarters were in New York city and when Cleveland received the highest vote J. J. McNamara at once removed the offices to that city, as it likely will receive a majority when the next vote is taken. The last vote was as follows: Cleveland, 3,172; New York, 3,162; Chicago, 1,069. According to the constitution of the organization there must be a majority over all. Chicago will be dropped when the next ballot is taken. Local union No. 3 of Pittsburgh cast 639 votes for Cleveland, and local union No. 74, also of this city, cast 154 votes.

PROPOSITION TO WORKERS.

Big Shipbuilding Plant May be Reopened on Co-Operative Basis.

The Townsend & Downey shipbuilding plant on Shooters island, New York, which shut down a year ago leaving 1,000 men idle, may be reopened on a co-operative basis, if the Amalgamated Society of Engineers accepts an offer which its members declare Wallace Downey has made to that effect. Mr. Downey has embodied his suggestions in a letter to a representative of the union. He states that a manufacturing industry is based on three essentials, capital, executive ability and labor. These three are to receive the prevailing rates of remuneration, and then, in his proposed plan, if there is a surplus, it is to be divided among the three in proportion to their contribution to the general result.

Mr. Downey says such a project would insure industrial peace, that it would give greater security to the investment of capital and offer greater recompense to workingmen, and bring about additional earning capacity, which is now dormant, as a result of real or imagined injustice in the distribution of earnings. The labor union has not yet answered Mr. Downey's proposition. Labor troubles were in part the cause of the shutdown of the shipbuilding plant.

FEW ARE IDLE.

Favorable Reports Received by the American Federation of Labor.

The number of unemployed in the country is rapidly decreasing according to statistics compiled by the American Federation of Labor issued last week. Of the 1,036 unions making returns for October, with an aggregate membership of 105,667, there were 1.2 per cent without employment. In the preceding month 1,446 unions, with a total membership of 104,833, reported 1.5 per cent without employment.

During the month the federation issued charters to two new central bodies, four federal labor unions and nine local trade unions. This increased the number of affiliated unions on the first of the month to the following: International unions, 121; state branches, 31; central bodies, 573; local trade and federal labor unions, 1,174; local unions attached to internationals (approximately), 27,000.

BILL POSTERS TO MEET TOMORROW

Gompers May Attend Third Annual Convention of the National Body.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BANQUET

The third annual convention of the National Alliance of Billposters and Billers will open here tomorrow. Charles Joseph of Pittsburgh is president of the organization, which now ranks among the prominent labor unions of the country.

Samuel Gompers, who has just been reelected president of the American Federation of Labor, receiving every vote in the

CHARLES JOSEPH.
President National Alliance of Billposters and Billers of America.

convention except one, cast by the representative of a Socialist body, is expected to attend. President Gompers, Francis L. Robbins, president of the Pittsburgh Coal Company, and other men of note, have been invited to address the delegates at a banquet to be given at the Colonial hotel on Tuesday night.

Pittsburgh billposters have made elaborate preparations for the annual convention. Theater parties and other entertainment features have been arranged for different evenings throughout the week. About 200 delegates are expected to attend. President Joseph will be a candidate for re-election and will have some opposition. A lively fight for the office is anticipated. Mr. Joseph has been president of the national organization since it was formed three years ago, and has done some effective work, putting it on a sound financial basis and bringing the national membership up to over 15,000. The other national officers are: First vice president, Jeremiah Donovan, Cincinnati; second vice president, John Supplee, Philadelphia; third vice president, John Whitehead, Minneapolis; fourth vice president, J. Kline, Omaha; fifth vice president, John Reed, Milwaukee; sixth vice president, L. Gray, Newark, N. J.; seventh vice president, John McCarthy, New York city; secretary, J. J. McCormick, Chicago; treasurer, Harry Coley, New York; executive board, president, first vice president, secretary and John Owens, St. Louis, John Supplee, Philadelphia; Frank McCormick, Chicago; James Martin, Chicago; John Holmes, New York; J. J. Whitehead, Minneapolis. The Pittsburgh local union delegates to the convention are John Varley, John Carville, George W. Lowry, George Abernathy, I. Houser, National President Joseph and Dan Judge.

Usually this union's convention brings to a city a large number of theatrical and circus people with which the body has agreements. One of the more important pieces of legislation planned for the convention will affect the circuses. It is proposed to abolish the circus plan of withholding a certain portion of each month's wages of the employes until the end of the year. In order to keep an employe with the circus from the time the season opens until it closes, the circus proprietors keep a portion of what is due him. The circus people employ many billposters, most of the larger aggregations having three full train loads of them for the season. The union wants every one of its members to be paid every cent due him at the end of each month. The body will devise means at the convention to meet the "open shop" efforts of several employers.

President Joseph, with the assistance of the Pittsburgh and other locals, has finished the second annual review of the body. This is published in connection with the convention, and in addition to a history of the body, with sketches of prominent officers and members, it contains articles by men whose names are familiar in the labor movement. The Pittsburgh local of the national alliance was one of the first formed, and has grown rapidly. The local delegates will try to capture the 1905 convention for Pittsburgh. Mayors Hays and Wyman, it is stated, have promised to be present tomorrow morning to welcome the delegates to Pittsburgh. The response will be made by President Joseph.

ORGANIZING RAILROAD MEN

Eugene V. Debs Trying to Strengthen the United Brotherhood.

Trade autonomists had an easy victory at the convention of the American Federation of Labor and the industrial trade unionists are not as aggressive as they were before the San Francisco meeting. Eugene V. Debs is still endeavoring to get railway men in the west to again affiliate with the United Brotherhood of Railway Employes. The failure of the American Railway union and similar organizations do not seem to have discouraged Debs. He is meeting with some success, James Wilson, the grand president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trackmen, in speaking of the Debs movement, says: "Although the American Railway union was a dismal failure and proved conclusively that the men engaged in operating trains are generally satisfied with their craft organizations, and will not support an organization composed of all classes of railway employes, an organization called the United Brotherhood of Railway Employes is trying to operate on practically the same plan as the R. U., and, according to the reports, quite a number of our craftsmen on western roads are supporting it."

MILL CONDITIONS MORE FAVORABLE

Many Idle Iron and Steel Plants Started and Prospects Are Much Brighter.

WEEKLY REPORT OF LODGES.

For the first time since the opening of the year every report received from lodges at the headquarters of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers on mill conditions was of a favorable character. There are a few strikes on in several sections of the country and some Amalgamated men are still idle. It is believed the differences soon will be adjusted and all will be back at work.

The weekly lodge reports compiled for the Amalgamated Journal are as follows:

Granite Lodge No. 16, Granite City, Ill., National Enameling and Stamping Company. Open hearth department, three furnaces working; three idle. No. 3 furnace under repair. Prospects, fair.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, Cleveland, O., Union Rolling Mill Company. Boiling department, all on. Bar and guide department, bar and 8 and 9-inch mills working. Prospects, fair.

Washington Lodge No. 5, Washington, Pa., Griffiths Charcoal Iron Company. The mill worked three days last week, and started in full November 29. Knobbling department is working steady.

Old Fort Lodge No. 14, Fort Wayne, Ind., Fort Wayne Iron and Steel Company. Bar and guide department, 9, 8, 18-inch mills working double turn. Plenty of standing turn men. Prospects, fair.

Dewey Lodge No. 21, Kewanee, Ill., Western Tube Company. Skelp mills working steady. Prospects, fair.

Granite City Lodge No. 11, Grante City, Ill., National Enameling and Stamping Company. Tin department, 19 mills working. Two new sheet mills expected to resume shortly. Prospects, fair.

Ninehillen Lodge No. 32, Canton, O., Carnahan Sheet and Tin Plate Company. Tin department. Six mills working; none idle. Mills working in every department. Prospects, good.

Bayardstown Lodge No. 20, Pittsburgh, Zug & Co. Boiling department, 22 furnaces working double turn. Bar and guide department; bar mill, four heats a turn; 10-inch six heats a turn; 8-inch six heats a turn.

Muncie Lodge No. 20, Muncie Ind., Indiana plant Republic Iron and Steel company. Boiling department, six furnaces working; four scrap and two puddle; idle, 17.

Fair View Lodge No. 40, Youngstown, O., Youngstown Iron and Steel Roofing company. Boiling department, all on in full. Sheet and jobbing department, on in full, four sheet mills, one 44-inch, two 38-inch and one 32-inch, the latter an average mill. Prospects good.

Iron City Lodge No. 1, Pittsburgh, Zug & Co. Sheet department; six mills working; none idle. Prospects fair.

Ben. I. Davis Lodge No. 19, Lebanon, Pa., West End Rolling Mill company. Boiling department, four furnaces working, none idle; five turns; off for Thanksgiving. Standing turn men, eight. Bar and guide department, 8-inch working; 14-inch idle; worked five turns, single.

St. Louis Lodge No. 4, St. Louis, Mo., National Enameling and Stamping company. All mills started on November 28.

Gas City Lodge No. 9, Gas City, Ind., American Sheet and Tin Plate Company. Gas City mills are doing better. There is now six mills out of eight in operation. Prospects, better.

Hammer of the West Lodge No. 18, East St. Louis, Ill., Republic Iron and Steel Company, Tudor works. Boiling department, 11 furnaces working; none idle. Bar and guide department, 10-12, 9 and 8-inch mills working double turn; spike mill idle; 12-inch one turn and 8-inch two turns at night. Prospects, fair.

Montour Lodge No. 49, Danville, Pa., Roading Iron Company. Boiling department, 18 puddle and three scrap furnaces working; skelp mill worked in full; idle, none. Bar and guide department, 12 and 16-inch working; both worked full. Prospects, fair.

Owen Lodge No. 59, New Albany, Ind., Ohio Falls Iron Company. Puddle mill worked all week, double turn; scrap mill on double turn all week, five hours each turn. Bar mill on all week, single turn; 8 and 10-inch mills on all week, single turn, with both crews dividing up the work.

Bremau Lodge No. 1, Anniston, Ala., Weller Rolling Mill Company. Boiling department, 12 furnaces worked two days last week. Bar and guide department, 12-inch mill worked two days last week. Prospects, very good.

Shawnee Lodge No. 58, Columbia, Pa., Susquehanna Iron and Steel Company. Boiling department, 11 furnaces working. Bar and guide department, one 18-inch and one 10-inch mill was on in full three days for a week.

Atkins Lodge No. 31, Cleveland, O., Cleveland Hardware Company. Bar and guide departments, 10-inch mill worked full last week, and on full this week. Prospects, fair.

Wayne Lodge No. 55, Pittsburgh, Wayne Iron and Steel works. Boiling department, all furnaces on three turns. Bar and guide department, bar mill on single; guide mill on. Sheet and jobbing department, plow mill on double.

Glendon Lodge No. 50, Pittsburgh, Dilworth, Porter & Co. Bar and guide department, 18-inch spike rod mill working double; 18-inch tie plate mill idle; 16-inch bar and tie plate mill working single; automatic spike machines working full; hand machines working full; guide mill, idle. Prospects, fair.

McKinley Lodge No. 21, Elwood (Ind.) plant American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, Tin department, 16 mills working; 12 idle. Prospects, encouraging.

M. P. Tighe Lodge No. 22, Lancaster, Pa., Pennsylvania Iron Company. Boiling department, seven furnaces working; two idle. Bar and guide department, bar, 10-inch and 8-inch mills working single turn. Prospects, fair.

St. Clair Lodge No. 44, Cleveland, O., Lake Erie Iron Company. Boiling department, seven furnaces working, one idle; boiling department all idle since the 23d of the month. Bar and guide department, 10-inch bar working. Bar mill working every day. Prospects, good.

Future City Lodge No. 1, St. Louis, Mo., Heimbacher Forge and Iron Company. Boiling department, all furnaces on five days; scarce of swarth. Bar and guide department, bar and 16-inch mills three days. Prospects, fair.

Springdale Lodge No. 30, Youngstown, O., Mahoning Valley works Republic Iron and Steel Company. All mills on last week excepting 18-inch mill. All mills on this week.

BANK FOR WORKINGMEN.

Progress Made Toward Establishing a Financial Institution for Unionists.

According to indications the First Union Labor bank will be open for business in Chicago on May 1. The committee of the International Association of Machinists having the affair in charge, is meeting with highly gratifying success in placing the stock of the new and unique financial institution. It will have a capital stock of $200,000, divided into shares of $100 each, and all held by unions or members of unions, and none to be transferred except to unions or members of unions. The 11 directors which will form the governing board are to represent the 11 leading trade organizations of the country and each director shall have the indorsement of his own organization before he becomes eligible to membership.

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Topics of the Week.

There has been interest in the opening of two national parliaments the past week. In Japan the emperor presided at the session of the diet and reported that his people had been successful in every engagement they had undertaken in the war with Russia. His report that the Japanese were at peace with other powers had particular significance when the admiration felt by all toward the rising nation is considered. Even during the stress of the war Prince Fushimi and other agents are visiting friendly nations in order to learn conditions that might be adopted with profit by Japan. The special purpose of the parliament, however, is to provide for the war and Japan does not seem to have difficulty in doing this. The same week King Victor Emmanuel attended the assembling of the Italian senate. The address he made was interesting in the attention he gave to the subjects of liberty and a peaceful solution of difficulties between capital and labor. It was also significant of the times that he should purpose still further arbitration treaties which extend the policy followed by Italy in the past. He expressed his gratification on the birth of an heir to the throne, thanking the people for their cordial reception of the announcement. In spite of the rejoicings that the recent election sustained the ministry and the cause of good order as against the revolutionists, there is considerable uneasiness as to the course of the majority in later legislation, for many of the new members are really opposed to Premier Giolitti, although they will support him at the start.

VICTOR EMMANUEL.

The uprising against the Germans in Southwest Africa has taken on such alarming proportions that the reichstag will be asked this month for an additional appropriation of $20,000,000 for the expenses of the army. The German government has dispatched 2,000 more troops and 1,000 horses to replace the losses in that far-off land. The decision of Hendrik Witboi to secede is considered particularly ungrateful, for he has been serving the Germans and received a medal from Emperor William for his work as a scout when the expedition was made against the Hereros. It is said that he waited until all plans had been made for the insurrection before he went over to the hostile forces. On hearing the news that he had deserted, the German deputy commissioner rode out to his camp unarmed and attempted to dissuade him from his course. But the commissioner was arrested and is reported to have been killed. Nearly all the Hottentot tribes are in rebellion, the most conspicuous exception being the Bastards, a half-breed tribe which remains loyal. It is estimated that the task of maintaining German prestige in that country has cost over $25,000,000 in the last few months, and the rising continues to increase in spite of the most strenuous efforts to quell it. The situation has been made grave by the removal of the German governor general, who had partially succeeded in conciliating the natives, the rebels having shown contempt for his successor.

For the seventh time President Diaz of Mexico was inaugurated last week, but this time a vice president was inducted to office with him. This was an innovation, provided by a change in the constitution of the republic last spring. In spite of the fact that Mexico is a republic President Diaz has been a good deal of an autocrat both in the circumstances of his election and his administration in office. But the people appear to be satisfied with his rule and greater popular liberty would hardly be practical in a country where civilization is no farther advanced than in Mexico. Ramon Corral the vice president, belongs to the Diaz school, and should he succeed to the office of president, he may be depended on to pursue much the same policy as his predecessor. In fact, he has been educated in the administration school, for he served as minister of the interior and did not resign that office until last October. But his sympathies are said to be American and he will encourage the investment of capital from the United States in Mexican enterprises. These are constantly increasing, and are likely to receive a fresh stimulus by the establishment of the gold standard by the Mexican government. This condition has been coming for some time, and is now assured as the president recommends it.

PRESIDENT DIAZ.

The appointment of Rear Admiral Davis to the board which is to conduct the North sea inquiry is the fourth selection and these representatives must now choose a fifth member. Austria has named Admiral Von Spaun to serve in case the other four members fail to agree on a fifth. It is expected that the commission will assemble in Paris as soon as the czar can be officially notified that the selections have been made. In the meantime there seems to be some difference of opinion as to whether Russia will be obliged to punish any officers whom the commission find guilty. But whatever the government's action in the case, any officers condemned by such an international court would be disgraced in the eyes of the world. Meantime the Baltic fleet is speeding on toward the Yellow sea. The encounter with the fishing fleet evidently taught the commander a lesson, for he has avoided engagements with other craft and he must have met them in greater numbers as he progressed on his voyage. Stirred by the activity of the fleet the Japanese have been redoubling their efforts to capture Port Arthur, while Admiral Togo is said to have docked some of his ships to prepare them for battle with the Russian newcomers.

REAR ADMIRAL DAVIS.

The Louisiana Purchase exposition closed at St. Louis Thursday with an ovation to D. J. Francis, the president, who has so successfully engineered the enterprise. In many ways the fair has exceeded anticipations, although in other particulars it was disappointing. It was managed on a somewhat elaborate scale in spite of the discouraging examples afforded by the financial failure of the Chicago and Buffalo expositions. An attempt was made to enlist the co-operation of foreign nations, but few of them sent exhibits. The government dealt generously with the enterprise, for it advanced $5,000,000, which was practically sunk at the outset, while it added a loan of $4,600,000, which will be repaid. In addition to this, elaborate government exhibits were prepared, but these are now to be sent to the exposition at Portland, Ore. One of the features of the fair was the Pike, which corresponded to the Midway at Chicago and attracted mere pleasure-seekers. But the exhibit of the Philippine village served to illustrate the character and method of life prevailing among our new brethren on the other side of the globe. In artistic display the buildings, grounds and contents had many features which were seen at Chicago and Buffalo, but there was considerable advance in splendor over all previous exhibits. President Francis has shown no little tact in the management which required so much entertainment. The business judgment has been vindicated by the fact that there will be some money left to repay the original stockholders who did not expect much return. It is estimated that there will be 6 per cent to distribute to the individuals, the city and the United States, respectively, for each advanced $5,000,000.

This is the time for the annual department reports to the president and congress. Most of them deal with dry details of administration in which the public has no interest, but occasionally a cabinet officer breaks loose from tradition and injects a little life into his review, either by way of suggestion or comparison. Such a novelty was the document submitted the past week by Secretary Wilson of the agricultural department. Aside from his control of several hundred employes this officer is the only member of the cabinet having no special executive business. The direction of agriculture is largely experimental, but it is none the less valuable. It has been one of the purposes of those who have contributed to the efficiency of the department that it should co-operate with the agricultural schools in the different states so as to prepare typical examples for the instruction of the farmer. This has been done more effectually than ever before. But the department has several special problems on its hands now that deal very closely with the homes of the people. Much of the inquiry concerning the high prices for beef has been done by the agricultural department and this promises to be a very live issue. Secretary Wilson's department also keeps an eye on the production of cotton and its reports are watched carefully by those who speculate in that staple. This dealing with the cotton industry has involved experiments to discover some enemy of the boll weevil pest. In the fruit line, moreover, an attempt has been made to find an orange that was hardy enough to survive the cold waves that occasionally visit citrus-growing regions. Mr. Wilson has presented the figures concerning the wealth of the farm produce in the United States in very readable form. The fact that the cotton crop, for instance, is worth $600,000,000, is not as interesting as his statement that if divided this amount would give $40 to every family in the country. As for the corn harvest, that is sufficient to pay the national debt and leave a balance with which to support the government some time. The number of eggs laid during the year would reach ten times across the continent if placed side by side. It is such facts as these which have made Mr. Wilson's report interesting.

SECRETARY WILSON.

One result of the president's visit to the St. Louis fair was the act of President Francis in sending telegrams to the different states and nations whose exhibits were visited and admired by the chief executive. These elicited courteous replies from most of the recipients, but Gov. Vardaman of Mississippi took the occasion to still further insult President Roosevelt. The language of his reply has angered people even in his own state, and they have taken pains to announce in no unmistakable terms their opinion of such an executive. Gov. Vardaman was to preside at the coming cotton convention, but now an attempt will be made to prevent such an honor going to the man. But the Vardaman issue represents in a malignant form the question about the political future of the south, which is agitating the country just now, for he is typical of the Bourbonism which is trying to push the color issue to the front. Beside the Vardaman outbreak there have been expressions of opinion and proffers of advice to the south during the week. Thomas E. Watson, the Populist candidate for president in the last election, condemns the southern states for their betrayal of popular democracy by alliance with the money power in the north, and thinks it is about time for them to cut loose. President Wilson of Princeton talked to the Society of Virginia in New York and urged a reorganization of the Democracy by southern leaders and the expulsion of the Populist element that has recently crept into its ranks. Col. Harvey, editor of Harper's Weekly, took similar ground on the management of the Democracy in an address at Charleston, S. C., but he urged the adoption of a moral issue as well as the restoration of the leadership in the party to the place of its birth.

Hardly had the Federation of Labor closed its session in San Francisco than the Citizens' Industrial Alliance, the organization of employers to maintain the principle of the open shop, opened its convention in New York city. These organizations are antagonistic, for each denounces the "tyranny" of the other and neither shows much of the conciliatory spirit necessary to bring capital and labor into harmony through mutual concessions. The

Federation of Labor holds that the employers are really fighting organized labor, although ostensibly their attacks are on the system that would prevent the employment of non-union labor. President Parry of the employers' organization reported that there had been a great increase in the number of "open shops" where union and non-union labor may be employed side by side. In Chicago, which is considered the stronghold of organized labor, he heard of 250 manufacturers who had made their shops open to the employment of all labor and he said he had no doubt that there were over 1,000 such shops which have recently changed over. Most of the speeches made in New York were severe in their arraignment of the methods employed by union men to prevent the employment of non-union men. No doubt there is truth on the side of the principles advocated by each organization, but it is so exaggerated that they seem to drive further away any prospect of reconciliation. The next important meeting of those interested in labor questions will be of the Civic Federation, which has adopted a more conciliatory attitude toward both employers and workers. It will be interesting to see how the organization prospers without the guiding hand of the late Senator Hanna, who was very much interested in its work.

The Doom of Port Arthur.

By the capture of 203 Meter hill, the line of Russian defenses on the west side of Port Arthur is pierced at a vital point and the Japanese attack now confronts the doomed fortress on every side. The pressure of the Japanese advance for some time past has been upon the north and east fronts of Port Arthur. During October the Japanese, at a terrible cost of life, established their positions on the slopes of the Rihlung mountains, commanding the town of Port Arthur from the north, and the Orlung ridge, on the east of the town. But while the Japanese center and right were thus established in the last ring of fortifications surrounding Port Arthur on the north and east, the Japanese right was far short of having made a parallel advance. The capture of 203 Meter hill indicates that the Japanese right has been swung around until it actually overlaps the fortress on the southwest and now commands the inner harbor inside of the Tiger's Tail peninsula. The town of Port Arthur, with the remaining fortifications in the possession of the Russians, intervenes between the Japanese center and right and the harbor. The ridge crowned by 203 Meter hill overlooks the harbor from the west, not only making it untenable but exposing Port Arthur to bombardment from the southwest as well as from the north and east as heretofore. The Japanese attack now reaches the fortress from every land side, the south being the water front.

This situation explains the dismay with which the news has been received at St. Petersburg, and the immediate surmise that the ships in the harbor will be sunk in deep water to prevent their capture by the Japanese. The news has also had the effect of producing admissions that the fall of Port Arthur is now inevitable, and that it cannot be long deferred no matter what General Stoessel may do. It is now almost a certainty that the garrison cannot hold out long enough to affect the conditions with which the second Pacific squadron will have to deal, and the Russian press are already urging the necessity of dispatching the Black sea fleet to its assistance. This would involve the breach of treaty obligations, but the excuse is being advanced that Japan is not a party to those treaty obligations, and that since they do not bind her they do not bind Russia as against Japan. This view of the case is not likely to be accepted by other European powers.

The Japanese are busy with their preparations to meet the second Pacific squadron, and a report from Chefoo says that the Pescadores islands, in the straits between Formosa and China, are being prepared as a Japanese naval station. This is bringing the war rather close to the Philippines, as Formosa is only 200 miles north of Luzon and is about 700 miles south of Japan. The Pescadores are a midway position between the China sea and the Yellow sea, considerably closer to the China sea than to the waters which have heretofore been the scene of naval warfare. The selection of so remote a point for a naval station implies an expectation that the area of conflict will be greatly extended and that Admiral Togo's fleet will be released from duty at Port Arthur in time to take a wide range of action. The possibility that the Russian fleets in European waters would be sent to the Pacific has confronted the Japanese from the beginning of the war, and the event has in fact been delayed much longer than they would have had a right to expect in making their preparations. Hence it is safe to conclude that their plans for dealing with that contingency were matured long ago, although it is a doubtful point whether the prolonged resistance made by Port Arthur has not exceeded Japanese calculations.

Peace influences appear to have been arrested by the determination of Russia to await the result of the appearance of the second Pacific squadron on the scene. When the Japanese obtain possession of Port Arthur, the only Russian port left in which the squadron can find a refuge is Vladivostok, and that will be closed by ice. The whole undertaking wears the look of desperation, but while the fleet is in being, expectations may be indulged that something will yet occur to Russia's advantage. There are reports that another forward movement is contemplated by General Kuropatkin, but circumstances do not support the idea. At this time of year the cold in Manchuria is intense, and what is known of the arrangements of the opposing armies indicates that they have gone into winter quarters. During the present month the thermometer at night ranges from 5 to 20 degrees below zero and during January, 30 degrees below is a common rate. There are frequent blizzards from the north, and no human beings can live under canvas. The usual expedient is to live in underground dwellings and these have been extensively constructed by both armies. The Japanese are relieved of any difficulty about fuel as they have coal mines within their lines. A correspondent of the London Times gives the following description of the way in which the Japanese make their underground quarters:

The method is to dig a trench about 10 feet to 12 feet deep and varying in width, but generally about 9 feet wide. A narrow stairway is cut leading down to the south end. At the base it is widened and a door frame set up with a native door, turning on wooden pivots. The upper half of the door is open work, which, being covered with the opaque native window paper, admits light. The sun shines at midday down the steps and, when the door is opened, freshens and warms the room. Immediately within, on one side, is a cooking stove, camp oven or boiler, in a simple and primitive style, to which both Russians and Japanese are accustomed. Along the length of the trench is a platform some two and a half feet high and six feet wide, made of hammered earth and rough unburned bricks. Beneath this are several simple flues, up and down which the smoke and heat from the cooking place finds its way, issuing at the end remote from the entrance, by a small chimney cut in the solid ground. On this platform, which resembles the old style of greenhouse flue and is called by the Chinese a kang, many men can sleep in warmth and comfort on a rough mat or dried grass. This mode of heating is not only economical, but the flues consume and carry off the earth damp or carbonic acid gas which always generates in underground dwellings. Across the top of the trench rough pieces of timber or poles are laid, and on these kao-liang stalks or straw, upon which is heaped the earth excavated from the trench. This covering keeps out the cold and is practically shell proof. No rain falls, and but little snow, and the latter can, if desired, be swept off the roofs or mounds over the dwelling.

The Coming Forest Congress.

Signs are multiplying that the American people is at last becoming awake to the importance of guarding what is left of our vast forest domain. Local comment upon the recent forest fires in Western Pennsylvania, national interest in the forestry congress which will meet at Washington January 2-6 and is to be addressed by the President himself, are supplemented by a wide-spread general agitation of the subject. People are realizing that forests are more essential to the country's welfare than forts—in fact, forests are forts to repel the onslaught of Nature's destructive forces, drought and consequent famine, floods with their resultant damage and epidemics. They are forts in still another sense; they are garrisoned by great armies of winged soldiers who wage perpetual war against our insect foes. No forests, no birds. No birds, no crops. There is the whole situation in a nutshell. It concerns not only the farmer; it concerns all who eat—just as taxes do not concern the tax-payer alone, but all who pay rent.

An article on "The Passing of the American Forest," in the current issue of the Booklover's Magazine, portrays in startling figures the ravages of the axe in our timber tracts. Nearly 300,000 men are engaged in dismantling our forest forts. Time was when Maine was the great logging state; one need not be so very old to remember the pictures in the geographies of yore; but now eyes are already turning to the Pacific slope for a supply. "But," says Mr. McClure, "it has been estimated that at the present rate of cutting, the greatest timber resources of the United States—those of the Pacific coast states—will be exhausted in less than half a century. The annual cut of shingles and lumber in those regions is some four and a half billion feet." There are a thousand shingle-mills in the state of Washington alone. Besides this havoc wrought by rapacious saws, forest fires are permitted to destroy vast stretches. "The burned area in Oregon alone represents a loss of fifty-four million dollars," Mr. McClure says; and it is claimed that the timber burned by forest fires would aggregate an amount equal to that now standing.

Of course, something has been done to check wanton waste and to provide for the future. What has been done, however, has been but "a fleabite in the ocean," as an Irish M. P. once said, compared with what remains to be done. Our national forest reserves, created within the last thirteen years, aggregate only sixty million acres, most of them west of the Rockies. Two million seedlings were planted in the sand hills of Nebraska's Dismal River district last year, but what of the other dismal regions thickly scattered through the other states? Much also of what has been done is no more than theory; the observance of Arbor Day in 44 states, seven of which have made it a legal holiday, is little more than a beautiful theory, though it does much to arouse sentiment and prepare the public mind for practical steps toward forest preservation.

In this connection an editorial article in the Century Magazine makes a suggestion that isn't half bad. It asks whether some senator and some representative on the first day of the approaching session of Congress will not obligingly introduce the following resolution:

That, in view of the overwhelming importance of the conservation of American forests, the sergeant-at-arms be and is hereby directed to purchase for each member of this body, and attach to his desk by a chain, a copy of the latest edition of George P. Marsh's "Man and Nature; or Physical Geography as Modified by Human Action."

Marsh adduced the Mediterranean countries of Europe, once the garden of the world, as awful examples of the criminal folly that is going on in our land, and what it would lead to. Marsh's book appeared in 1864, and since that time axe and saw have been busier than ever turning this country into a Sahara. Not wars, not taxation, not tyranny, not the shifting of trade routes, not political unrest and racial degeneracy have worked the downfall of Levantine nations, but the denudation of their forest slopes. Hiram of Tyre, chopping down the cedars of Lebanon, is as baleful a figure as Nero laying the torch to imperial Rome. Any one who reads Marsh's remarkable and convincing volume will realize that this is no mere exaggeration of rhetoric, but a picturesque statement of self-evident truth. Yet it took 25 years before this self-evident truth was heeded by the United States government, and a beginning was made of a scientific policy of forest preservation.

The coming forestry congress will doubtless give a new impetus to this policy. If, as the Century suggests, it might be practicable to reserve the whole of the higher Appalachians as almost the whole of the higher Sierra has been reserved, the Congress should outline the way to do it. But in yet another direction the congress might work perhaps still more effectively. Offer a prize to stimulate inventive genius to produce a building material cheaper and better than wood. If that were achieved, forest reserves, tax exemption of timber lands, Arbor Days and Apple Seed Johnnies might all be dispensed with—perhaps.

The program of the Forest Congress, as already outlined, embraces the Relation of the Public Forest Lands to Irrigation, the Relation of the Public Forest Lands to Grazing, the Lumber Industry and the Forest, the Importance of the Public Forest Lands to Mining, Forestry in Relation to Railroad Supplies, National Forest Policy and State Forest Policy. President Roosevelt is the honorary president of the congress, while the Hon. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, will preside over its sessions. The congress will include senators and representatives; ambassadors, ministers, and representatives of foreign nations; governors of states and territories; foresters and members from Forestry Associations; editors of lumber and other trade journals of industries dependent upon the forest; delegates from the Bureau of Forestry, from the United States Geological Survey, from the United States General Land Office and Forest Reserve Service, from the National Irrigation Association, and from the National Irrigation Congress. All in all, this will be one of the most important gatherings ever held in the nation's capital.

Our Devitalized Poetry.

If history marks the currents in a nation's progress and biography indicates the development of that nation's character, fiction and poetry may be justly regarded as the pulse of the nation's esthetic nature, recording delicately and unobtrusively the common life in its multiform phases. The popular conception of poetry is generally an inadequate one, for the reason that its function is narrowed in the popular mind. It may be very safely asserted that this misconception has been materially strengthened by the perceptible decline in America of poetry of a vital and national character. It is only in fugitive form, as we find it appearing here and there in the daily newspapers, that genuine specimens of virile verse remain as a relic of that earlier American poetry which played so large a part in the political, social and intellectual life of the times. It is agreeable to know, however, that the spirit of vital versification is not clean gone, but is rather on the shadow side of an eclipse, the result of the over-sentimentalized verse that is so striking a feature of the specially published and magazine poetry of today. In the tons of this sort of verse that is annually turned out in this country there is hardly a glimmer or reflection of the true thought and life of the people. It is in a majority of instances the product of dilettantism, an enervated and sickly expression of thought and purpose far removed from the blood currents of life that beat and throb around us.

Compared with this deluge of the silly, the sentimental or the bizarre, the vigorous use of poetry as the expression of vital themes indulged by James Russell Lowell, Walt Whitman, Bret Harte, Rudyard Kipling, and even Eugene Field and James Whitcomb Riley, marks how great a decline from noble standards the majority of our present day verse writers have suffered. In the few examples cited above a just conception may be had of the uses to which poetry may be put in reflecting the real life of a people and so indexing not only their esthetic side, but voicing effectively the living human themes of everyday life. The "Biglow Papers" formed a powerful political argument in their day, as well as comprising one of the most incisive satires on certain peculiar phases of American life ever written. In a later day Rudyard Kipling's "Recessional" and "The Absent-Minded Beggar" have been a power to create and direct public sentiment in English political and popular affairs. It is the loss of this vital use of poetry that is to be deplored when one comes to study the major portion of the present day

verse. Not that we are without inspiring material in our national life. The recent war with Spain inspired vigorous verse only in its most transient newspaper form. The achievements of our armies and the greater conquests of our diplomacy afford a fruitful field for laudatory or controversial verse, but so far no conspicuous advantage has been taken of these fine opportunities by the young generation of poets. Instead, the verse that one most often sees is invertebrate in structure, indirect if not positively maudlin in appeal and concerned chiefly with themes of an erotically sentimental character or expressive of remote and artificial sophistry.

So long as our current fictional and poetic literature remains under this eclipse of dawdling dilettantism the educative influence of these departments of literary endeavor will suffer decline. It is to the desultory and fugitive poetry of the daily press that we must turn for indications that this weakness is temporary and representative only of a passing phase of luxurious indulgence and overfed mental vanity.

England's Technical University.

It is interesting to note that while the Oxford congregation has just rejected a proposition to follow the American idea and allow the substitution of German or French for Greek in the entrance examinations, and accompanied it with criticism of the departure from classical studies in this country, the city of Birmingham is establishing a university built after American ideas and devoted especially to training men in science to become "captains of industry." While the new university is not to neglect Latin or Greek, if anyone desires to study them, scientific branches will so predominate that not much attention will be given to the "dead languages." This technical school will be a novelty in England, but its success is so well assured that already London is considering the subject of establishing a similar institution.

Joseph Chamberlain, the man to whom Birmingham owes so much, was the first to suggest the idea of applying the American system of providing theory and practice in the instruction of students. The Mason Science college was the basis around which the school is being built, and one of its donors is Andrew Carnegie, who greatly encouraged the idea. A committee was sent to America to study such schools in this country, and it is largely from the information secured on this side of the water that the courses have been planned. While the school has an academic and medical department, all the facilities now being added are for technical work. There is to be a large power station for generating enough electricity to supply a small town with light and power, a foundry for making real castings, a smithy for forging and welding iron and steel, a large furnace for making the steel from the raw ore, and even a coal mine for the practical study of problems that confront the miner.

The underground laboratory which is to teach mining is one of the most original experiments yet attempted. It runs about ten feet below the surface, and is finished in concrete most of the way. Here will be an opportunity to study how to dig and timber under loose ground and pressure, how to construct transportation facilities, the general subject of ventilation and safety lamps, the prevention of accidents from dust and coal gas, and, in fact, every question met by the worker in an average coal mine. Time alone can show whether these preparations will be justified by actual use, but the scheme has aroused no little enthusiasm and plenty of future "captains of industry" stand ready to take advantage of the training offered.

Although the Birmingham university has been started with what are intended to be merely the foundations for its future growth, the plan is gigantic in its proportions. Already two and a half millions have been expended on the four buildings and the mine intended for the scientific department, but the modern university is generally planned for posterity, and this school has already announced that thirty acres provides too little room for the site. Its promoters have secured a man of wide sympathies and a keen scientific investigator as principal and are asking for $15,000,000 to complete the plans which are to be immediately realized.

The substitution of university training for the apprenticeship through which the average Englishman rose to prominence in the industrial world is an innovation which can hardly be appreciated in this country. The methods of manufacturers and miners in that country have been the result of evolution in the family rather than theories accessible to students generally. There is little opportunity for pre-eminence through trade secrets in the industrial world today, and in future the successful manager will be the one whose superiority of endowment has been trained in the industrial school rather than the private shop. This opportunity for imparting information which the university will afford will be a step toward democracy which cannot fail to have its effect on the character of the British race.

A Mark Twain Anecdote.

A friend of the humorist tells a story of the days when Mark Twain was a pilot on the Mississippi which, it is thought, has never before been published.

One day Mr. Clemens missed his boat. Instead of inventing an excuse, he reported to his superior officer as follows:

"My boat left at 7:20. I arrived at the wharf at 7:25 and could not catch it."—Harper's Weekly.

Financial Review

By JOHN O. BAGLIN.

A LITTLE study of the dealings is followed by the conviction that the stock market last week was made up largely of important operations by banking houses which finance corporation deals, and of less important operations by professional cliques whose constant endeavor it is to anticipate the work of the banking houses. The transactions averaged about 1,400,000 shares a day, and nearly one-half of the total was made up of dealings in five stocks. It was not always the same five stocks, but the leaders of the speculation seldom exceeded this number. One day it was a high-priced stock like St. Paul which dominated attention. At no time was there any serious talk of a deal involving St. Paul, and the activity in the stock may have been for the purpose of distracting attention from the real object of the bankers. On the same day that St. Paul was unusually active there were large dealings in Pennsylvania and Chicago & Northwestern. Pennsylvania may be contemplating some financiering, and it may desire to have a market favorable to the conversion of outstanding bonds into stock, but so far as known there is no "deal" on in connection with Northwestern, and there is no particular reason why it should sell on less than a 3½ per cent basis. A belated movement occurred in New York Central, which it is known must sooner or later finance its needs, but there was no good reason, from an investor's standpoint, why this 5 per cent stock should sell higher than the 6 per cent Pennsylvania, and there was still less reason why the 5 per cent Louisville & Nashville should remain continuously higher than New York Central and Pennsylvania. On another day Erie and Reading would lead the dealings. In the opinion of railroad financiers these two systems have great possibilities, and it is generally understood that a number of larger companies have always had a little Erie in order to have a word in its final disposition. As for Reading, the fact disclosed in the annual report of Baltimore & Ohio that the latter company had within its past fiscal year increased its holdings of Reading stock by about $7,000,000 par value indicates what is thought of the road as a factor in the eastern situation.

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The greatest activity of the week, however, was in the U. S. Steel issues. On one day the sales of the common exceeded 300,000 shares, and within the past five weeks more than half the total outstanding Steel common has changed hands and fully two-thirds of the preferred. The only time during which U. S. Steel stocks were more active than last month was in 1901, when the promoters' stock was being distributed to the public. On that occasion it required the services of the master hand at manipulation to stir up and keep alive interest in the stock. On the present occasion it is reasonable to infer that there is some important operation being conducted by the financial managers of the corporation to account for the abnormal activity in the securities, not to speak of the sustained advance, which has exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine "bull" who had no other information save the evidence of improvement in the iron trade. Of course, there is a very general belief that an enormous short interest had accumulated in Steel common and preferred, but it is unreasonable to suppose that covering of shorts would be sufficient to maintain the great volume of transactions. A sudden drop of 1½ per cent in the sinking fund bonds between the closing of the market on Monday night and the opening on Tuesday morning was the largest reaction that had occurred since the upward movement began. While this decline was in progress the common stock advanced to the highest point of the year, selling above the figure at which the stock was quoted last year when quarterly dividends of 1 per cent were being declared. This incident was sufficient to spur the street to greater efforts to discover the real basis for an advance of nearly 300 per cent in seven months. The opinion is growing that the corporation has been either converting its preferred stock into bonds or that it has been selling sinking fund bonds for cash, or possibly carrying on both transactions. When the contract with the Morgan syndicate was canceled there remained $50,000,000 of authorized sinking fund bonds for exchange for a like amount of preferred stock, and there also remained $30,000,000 of the same bonds available for sale for cash. As pointed out in the financial columns of The Gazette during the week, the amended articles of incorporation of U. S. Steel empower the directors to buy the securities of the corporation and to resell the same in their discretion, and the directors may buy or sell "to such extent and in such manner and upon such terms as the board of directors shall deem expedient." Under this authority the directors could do their own financiering without the aid or cost of syndicates, and the course of the market suggests that something of the character indicated has been going on in the market for the Steel securities.

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One of the most striking features of the market for months past has been the ease with which it recovers from what looks like a good sharp reaction. For six months past there has not been a reaction that lasted as long as three consecutive days. On the contrary, the usual duration has been three hours or less. This feature was illustrated anew during the week. The market had been bowling along at the rate of 1,500,000 shares a day, establishing new records, and on Wednesday the "Junior Vanderbilts," as they are called, which had been entirely neglected throughout this movement, suddenly became active and moved up sharply. While this movement was in progress the remainder of the market suddenly became heavy in tone, and nearly everything sold off and closed weak. On the surface the thing looked so plain that the experienced trader felt warranted in predicting that now the market would have a long overdue reaction and that it would be all the sharper for the delay. He recalled from experience how pools would trot out the Vanderbilts and force them upward at a rapid pace, and under cover unload other stocks at a profit. This incident, or something like it, was almost invariably a sure sign of the culmination of a bull campaign. On Friday nearly everybody looked for a continuation of the reaction. But it did not occur. On the contrary, prices advanced all along the line, and what is more, there seemed to be legitimate grounds for the revival of confidence. A half-score of prominent railroads reported earnings for October, and they all showed increases in gross and net. Then it was semi-officially reported that an agreement had been reached with the chief independent steel rail producer and that an amicable agreement as to allotment would make it possible to maintain the $28 price for 1905 business. The U. S. Steel stocks responded and the common advanced to nearly the highest price of the week. On top of all was the announcement that $500,000 gold had been engaged in Paris for shipment to New York. If another dollar of gold is not imported for the remainder of the month this incident will serve to allay any fear of money stringency, because it will be said that New York controls the international situation and can command gold at will.

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As a usual thing, when one refers to a market as being manipulated, he means to convey the impression that it is artificial; that the demand for investment is not real, and that the professional traders responsible for the manipulation have already accumulated securities and are aiming to make a market on which to unload. This criticism that the New York market is manipulated has been heard and partially believed ever since the bull campaign began. Parenthetically it may be stated that this criticism is always heard of every sustained movement in the market, whether that movement be upward or downward, and it is almost invariably true at the beginning of such movement. In the present instance it has been added to the criticism that the public is not in the market; that while commission houses are probably carrying a larger amount of stocks than at any previous time this year, they are not carrying anything like the amount that was on their books when the last bull market reached floodtide. It is difficult to reconcile statements like this with what is known to be facts. For instance, one large Pittsburgh house, member of the New York stock exchange, has within the past few weeks received more than a thousand certificates, representing many thousand shares of stock, and shipped the same to New York for delivery on sales made within that period. The sellers were scattered all over Western Pennsylvania and represented individuals and financial institutions. The securities sold run the whole gamut of value from Steel common to the highest grade of investment railroad stocks. The proceeds of the sales have been received and distributed to the sellers. This is not an isolated case. Other brokers have reported immense sales on the advance since the election, and the effect of this liquidation has been seen in the increasing ease in the local money market. Now, somebody bought these securities, and whether the buyers were professional speculators, or the investing public, these operations have tended to maintain the volume of transactions, and what is more, has turned many an account which six months ago showed a loss into a profit. Facts like these seem to prove that the public is in the market, because the bulk of the selling of the character described is not forced liquidation, but generally represents a shifting of investments. There is another feature of the situation that is general enough to be quite noticeable. That is the confidence with which even conservative New York houses make the prediction that the first quarter of 1905 will witness still higher prices and a volume of sales on the stock exchange exceeding all previous records.

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carefully a work may be read and revised and re-revised by its author, to the trained eye it still reveals errors and shortcomings. The average reader would probably pass them without seeing them. But they are present in infinite variety. An "o" or an "s" turned upside down, letters transposed, a letter from a slightly different font, a type broken or worn, the spaces unevenly distributed between words, these are flaws only the trained and alert eye will detect. Then come the slips that only the schooled mind will take note of—unwarrantable use of capitals or punctuation marks; false divisions of syllables at the end of lines; in the case of compound terms the ever-recurring question whether it is a single continuous word, or whether it should have a hyphen, or whether it should be made several separate words.

But these minor slips do not constitute the erratum proper, which may be regarded as the masterpiece of writer, compositor, proof-reader, and type—the first by hieratic scribbling, the second by a carefully cultivated obtuseness, the third by carelessness, the type by some perverse instinct. The history of the erratum would make one of the most entertaining chapters in the curiosities of literature.

If you yourself have ever been crucified upon the printed page, you can understand and pardon the wrath of authors that have seen their best-beloved children mangled and maimed. You will understand how Cardinal Bellarmin felt, after having copied his entire controversial works with painstaking neatness, to leave no chance for error, then sending them to a famed printer at Venice, when he finally received the book and discovered that it contained even more errata than the first edition. You can even understand how an author mentioned in the Baron de Grimm's memoirs died in a violent fit of rage upon receiving a fresh copy of his favorite work, carefully revised by himself, and finding it marred by more than three hundred mistakes. You can appreciate the gentle irony of the clergyman who wrote on a proof returned to the publisher of his sermons: "My Dear Sir—The passage 'Printers have persecuted me without cause' should read, 'Princes have persecuted me without cause;' but in the light of my recent experiences, I think it might stand as it is."

Telling the Truth Unintentionally.

The mischievous types quite often tell the truth unintentionally. In describing the residence just completed for a prominent citizen, a newspaper added, "The plunder work was done by Solder & Co." Perhaps the owner of the building thought the same when he got the plumbing bill. Another journal, dilating upon the "martial" happiness of a couple that had celebrated their golden wedding, said they had "for 50 years lived together in connubial affliction," which fits the "connubial affection" ruling in many households. A physician having prescribed internal doses for a patient who had previously been treated with plasters and liniments, a paragraph said that "a marked change has taken place in Mr. Illman's condition since he began taking Doctor Dosem's 'infernal' medicines." There is just the least tinge of intentional malice in the description of a young society man, that "a slight mistake adorns his upper lip;" but the compositor who in a menu made "pate d'Italie" into "pate d'Italic" may have done so through the association of ideas after finding a case of Italic type in a state of hopeless pi.

The erratum in its most entertaining form makes some compliment seem dubious, as when the "doughty" champion of some cause is called "doughy," or a "natty" young man is made "nasty."

Such errors are the bane of editors. A famous one occurred in the account of a Grand Army reunion, which spoke of the old soldiers as "battle-scarred veterans." As printed next day the phrase read "battle-scared veterans." In his next issue, after lamenting the treachery of the types and lauding the indignant warriors, the editor said that the words should have been "bottle-scarred veterans."

Sometimes the error is in the form of a ludicrous jumble. Ellen Terry appears as "Ellen Jerry," or William H. Seward as "Richard the Third." Errors of this sort are usually the author's fault, and are the merited penalty of wretched writing. Some copy would defy the decipherers of the Rosetta Stone. Look at Shakespeare's famous signatures, for instance, in which it requires the sagacity of Sherlock Holmes to discover a clue to the perpetrator. Indeed, as one looks over the manuscripts of many great writers of the past, and even of the present age of the typewriter, one wonders that their works were ever printed at all. The patient man at the case, with his slight stoop and quick nervous motion, has silently helped to build many an enduring literary reputation.

Bad writing is responsible for many typographical sins, usually helped along by the intelligent compositor. That is how the "comminatory psalms" come to be called the "commendatory psalms"—a blunder that doubtless caused the writer to repeat David's invective in modernized form. In this way "drawing-room couches" were changed into "drawing-room coaches," which the compositor probably thought were for fireside travels. The poetic reporter, who in a fit of fine frenzy wrote of "Old Sol's burning rays," is chagrined to find that the prosaic typesetter has made it "Old Sal's burning rags." The dainty name "Susannah," with its musical tintinnabulation, is transformed into "Inasmuch," which strongly savors of Roundhead days, and might have been the pet diminutive of some Puritan maid in Cromwell's old England, whose full baptismal appendage was "Inasmuch-as-ye-did-it-unto-me Rogers." The "scalds and sagas of Iceland," become the "scolds and sages of Ireland," and the "act of snoring" is euphemized as the "art of snoring."

A foul case—one that has been shaken so as to mix the type of different compartments—will set at nought the clearest of heads and the surest of fingers. But absent-mindedness and inattention are oftener to blame. A proofreader was struck by the deluge of capital P's and final ii's on the proofs from a certain aisle. He investigated the matter and found that the two young compositors there stationed had on the day before witnessed a fireworks representation of "The Last Days of Pompeii," and were now discussing the pyrotechnic marvels with so much enthusiasm that they had nearly emptied the P and i boxes. Scraps of the compositor's conversation frequently find their way into the proof. Often what is uppermost in their minds creeps into the type. Paul's "Epistle to the Philippines" may be new to theologians who have not heard of the revised version according to Dewey.

I have a little list of errors which I term my "Menu," having collected them from bills of fare. The "maitre d'hotel" figures thereon as the "waiter de hotel," while among the tempting viands and entremets are such delicacies as "stewed muskellunge a la lemonade" (allemande), "cranberry turtles" (tartlets), and "stewed tombstones," "funeral baked meats" made from ordinary tomatoes.

The most excruciatingly funny blunder of all such found its way into the announcement of an inaugural ball. The press and others who wished to view the revel without participating were to get seats in the gallery by applying for permits. The notice said that "those who wish seats in the gallery can secure peanuts from the committee."

This Made the Preacher Mad.

Another error of this variety was almost tragic in its austere absurdity. It adorned a theological discussion—a very dry theological discussion, where it was obviously out of place. The learned exegete was demolishing his opponent's logic by taking word for word and phrase for phrase, rending them in sunder with holy rage. In order to emphasize its utter absurdity, he marked each citation with a "sic" in parentheses. Almost a score of these "sics" occurred on a single page, and the printer made every one of them "hic." "Whoever has (hic) read words (hic) attributed (hic) to men (hic) in a state (hic) of intox(hic)ation, may conceive of (hic) the mortif(hic)ation our doughty churchman (hic) felt when his (hic) brochure came (hic) to hand (hic)."

Several amusing varieties of errata have been evolved since typesetting and typecasting machines came in. Each style of machine makes errors peculiar to itself, and an expert proofreader can determine with ease, from the errors in it, whether a book or journal was set by hand or what composing machine was used.

An amusing "machine error" crept into a sermon, changing the import of a passage so radically that it might have been a verbatim excerpt from the late Robert Ingersoll. "Christianity," declared the preacher, "is not a religion for the rich, the powerful, the learned; not a religion for the children of fortune or the cultured few—it is above all a religion for the asses." The single letter "m," failing to respond when the operator struck the key, wrought this havoc.

A parallel case was furnished in a dispatch sent from South Africa by a British general: "We have eaten the Boers," which seemed to imply that Tommy Atkins had become a cannibal.

Blunders in the "make-up" are sometimes quite amusing. When the death notice of an esteemed citizen—somehow or other they are all "esteemed" after they are dead—appears under the heading of "sports," it fails to move us as it ought, though some philosophizing Jaques might deduce that

> "All the world's a baseball field,
> And all the men and women merely players,"

and hence might find this account of a "home run" fitly placed.

Such an error brought about a queer state of things at a recent election in a Michigan town. Two men, both Democrats, ran for school inspector and member of the board of review, respectively. The printer of the ballots transposed the names, but not the offices. Both candidates were elected, though neither got the place he was after.

Punctuation is a perennial spring of error. No English-speaking land can boast of a grammarian or a rhetorician with a rational theory of punctuation, nor of a writer with a consistent practice. Edgar Allan Poe came nearest to both; his brief notes on the use of the dash are a masterful contribution to the "philosophy of point."

The importance of accurate punctuation is seldom realized. Legislative bodies give negative testimony when their deliberations are printed with no points whatever, for fear a careless or venal printer might alter the import of a bill. Twenty-five years ago, or more, congress passed a tariff measure admitting foreign fruit-plants free of duty. A copyist mistook the hyphen for a comma. In consequence all fruits and plants were admitted free until the next congress could rectify the blunder. That comma cost Uncle Sam $2,000,000.

A similar cause celebre occurred in France many years ago. A wealthy man in his will remembered two nephews—"a chacun d'eux cent mille francs" (to each of them a hundred thousand francs). These legatees contended that what looked like an apostrophe was really a blot from folding the paper before the ink dried, and that the document should be read: "A chacun deux cent mille francs" (to each two hundred thousand francs). That apostrophe involved $40,000.

Lost Art of Punctuation.

Over-punctuation is happily almost an obsolete vice. Some of the older editions of Shakespeare remind you of the ancient Egyptian monuments that still perplex modern engineers. How did the builders transport those enormous blocks of stone? How did those profound commentators and editors pile up these pyramids of points? Today we are verging on the other extreme. Some of our newspapers ought to hang up in their composing rooms the Scotman's rule: "Use a comma now and then." Semicolons and colons—these the modern "typo" regards as effete superstitions.

How could so ridiculous a blunder escape detection? one sometimes asks. The theory of probabilities will account for it. Take the ordinary Bible, without apocrypha or notes; in its composition perhaps not less than 5,000,000 separate pieces of type are used. Where there are 5,000,000 chances for error is it marvel that errors creep in? The publishers of the Oxford Bible, who offered a guinea for every misprint therein discovered, might not have done so had they thought of this appalling theory of probabilities. Even Jean Auber, four hundred years ago, who declared that the quarto Virgil which his friend Maillet had edited was absolutely flawless, might have hesitated to utter that extravagant bit of praise.

The early printers were, as a rule, remarkably correct. Perhaps the commercial spirit did not yet dominate them;

"For Fifty Years They Lived in Connubial Affliction."

they took pride in their work, and looked upon their books as children, not as chattels. At first all errors were neatly corrected by pen. They became more numerous when ignorant prentices were pressed into service, and then the erratum-list came into vogue. The first erratum-

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Children and Poetry

By WILLA SIBERT CATHER.

IT IS a well-known fact that while most very young children are fond of rhymes and find an instinctive pleasure in the jingle of nonsense verses, they are very apt to lose this taste for rhymes after they begin school, and in most cases never find it again. In spite of the fact that a goodly number of the masterpieces of English verse are systematically "taught" in schools and colleges, the results cannot be too closely questioned, and the percentage of pupils who entered into the reading of them with any very high enthusiasm, or can recall the study of them with much pleasure, remains ridiculously small. One sometimes wonders whether, if poetry were barred from the schools and condemned by professors of literature as dangerous emotional stuff, there would not be a sudden reaction in its favor. Certain it is that very few young people ever awake to the notion that there is any emotional pleasure or excitement to be got out of reading verse, pleasure such as even the most ordinary children find in the theater and in popular music. I have often thought that the verse commonly read in schools and colleges is selected too often from the standpoint of the instructor's taste, and too seldom from the standpoint of the pupils.

It would almost seem that those learned worthies who make out curriculums regarded certain masterpieces of English verse as a sort of multiplication table which must be learned early because of its usefulness in later work, or as a variety of measles, which it were best to get through with at an early age. Some of the poetry ordinarily read in colleges is entirely beyond the student's experience, and the same thing is true of some of the verse read in the secondary schools. These readings are usually conducted either by an instructor who has no real feeling for verse himself, or by one who sees in it the very things which children cannot see. Even the most appreciative and sympathetic of instructors is very apt repeatedly to appeal to something in his students which is not yet there, which, of course, encourages them in the notion that a taste for verse is at best a purely artificial thing, a mere product of cultivation, and as far as possible removed from the things of sound and sense and color which make up life to them. At the worst, the instructor makes the most inherently beautiful lines a mere conduit for his particular views upon ethics of culture, and his students are certainly justified in any extravagance of aversion toward anything that can be made a vehicle for homilies and saws so utterly abhorrent to the whole spirit of youth.

All Children Like Bad Poetry.

The real feelings of even the most bookish of children toward verse would be interesting to study, could we but come at them. It is perfectly natural for children to like bad poetry, just as it is natural for them to like popular music and to find the pictures of David and Bouguereau infinitely superior to those of Millet or Puvis de Chavannes. High coloring, hard outline, wooden drawing, false sentiment, florid rhetoric, banal airs and commonplace harmonies all seem very moving and splendid to children. A few years ago I had an opportunity to look through a scrapbook made by one of the most discriminating of our literary critics. His mother had just come upon it in an old trunk and exhibited it with pride because its contents were chiefly made up of verse. And such verse! On the first page was "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," and the succeeding pages were covered with poetry of about the same merit, much of it worse. There were clippings from newspapers and magazines of all sorts, the selections ranging from the vulgarly humorous to the ultra-sentimental. There was much about remorse and buried sin, much about disappointed love and sleepless longing, much about "eyes of gray" and "eyes of brown," though the scrapbook had been filled before the boy was 13. When I asked him which of these touching ebullitions had moved him most, he confessed that the one to which he had turned most often and which he had committed to memory was an effusion of which every stanza concluded with this tender couplet:

> Safe in the cottage, where nobody knows,
> Sleep and forget me, my little white rose.

The second place in his affections was held by a bit of doggerel, humorously intended, in which a miner, when butted by a sheep,

> Named a California town, I think 'twas Youbadam.

Surely we have all known boys and girls who were reading Shakespeare and Milton at school when their conception of the sublime was not at all above "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight" or the "Little White Rose." In his charming book, "Le Livre de Mon Ami," Anatole France tells of how, when a boy, he was moved to tears by some stupid verses beginning,

> Des vierges du hameau, Jane etait la plus belle.

Most children who read Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" consider Caesar the hero of the play and Mark Antony as Caesar's representative in the matter of revenge. As for Brutus, he is but a villain at best, who well deserves what he gets, and the chief objection is that the dramatist bungled so long and lost so much time in giving him his deserts. If the fourth act were dropped out, the play would be well enough. So when children read "The Merchant of Venice" they seldom worry through the last act; the interest ends for them with the trial scene. I remember when I was thoroughly convinced that Othello himself was the villain of Shakespeare's play, and considered Iago a very worthy and attractive gentleman because he uttered so many noble sentiments, such as "Who steals my purse steals trash," all of which I carefully marked with a lead pencil. The "tragedy" of Hamlet, I considered, lay in the fact that he was most foully and treacherously murdered in the last act, which accident cut short a promising career. The sole interest of the character, I thought, lay in the astonishingly clever things the man could say—"To be or not to be," "How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable," etc.—which I also marked.

The Owen Meredith Mania.

A very scholarly man under whom I once studied literature confessed to me that at 18 "Lucile" was the poem of his heart. He was then reading Homer and Virgil and Shakespeare in school, but they were pale shadows when compared to this impassioned poem. He committed long passages of it to memory, and he considered the parting of the heroine and the duke to be the most moving and dramatic thing he knew in literature. He had an especial fondness, too, for the closing lines of the letter which Alfred receives in the first part of the poem:

> I ask nothing more, and I trust you will feel
> That I ask nothing much.
>
> Your friend always,
> Lucile.

This horror had a peculiar fascination for him; it was so neat, so compact, so clever, so much like the kind of thing he would have loved to do himself. The same man always insisted upon nourishing his freshman classes upon Pope, declaring that his truisms and neat homilies were just the sort of thing that, when he was 20, had seemed to him absolutely revelatory. The indisputable truths, the beautiful precision of the unvarying end-stopped lines! It was almost as clever and satisfactory as doing geometry in verse! I can still lay hands upon an old copy of Pope, the pages of which are quite black with lead pencil marks, wherein are underscored such spontaneous and fluid lines as,

> Be not the first by whom the new is tried,
> Nor yet the last to lay the old aside.

Here was rich philosophy and noble utterance. Beside such high and definite conceptions, "My Love Is Like a Red, Red Rose," and "If Thou Wert in the Cauld Blast," seemed very poor stuff indeed. I used to wonder why people talked so much about Burns and Keats when there were such profitable fellows in the world as Pope and "Iago" and J. G. Holland.

> Were all the rivers filled with wine,
> And golden all the fountains,
> Were every hill a precious mine
> And silver all the mountains,
> Life would be ravished of its zest,
> And shorn of its ambition,
> And sink into the dreamless rest
> Of inanition.

What could be more elevating and more true? You could almost "prove the answer." What were the "Ode to a Grecian Urn" beside such illuminating matter as this? I quote from memory and may not be accurate, but I wish better lines clung so tenaciously to my memory as many a one from "Katrina" and "Bittersweet."

The Palpitating Poetess of Passion.

When I was about 12 years old, I secretly possessed myself of a book of verse by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. It was owned by a young woman who was the romantic and adventurous spirit of the little town where I lived. Our mothers did not permit us to see much of this young person, for she was known to read Ouida, and she had an objectionably unfeminine reputation as a breaker of vicious horses. This red book she kept always upon her writing desk, and its color, coupled with her awesome recklessness in the matter of horses and conventions, led me to think that it must contain something very stirring indeed. My fondest anticipations were realized. I remember one poem, called, I think, "The Waltz Quadrille," in which a damsel was dancing with someone of whom she was very fond, and who was, aparently, going to some far distant region the moment that the dance was over. Toward the end of the dance she expressed herself thus:

> Oh, that the caller would go on calling,
> Oh, that the music would go on falling
> In a shower of silver spray,
> Till we danced away to that vast forever,
> Where no hands part and no hands sever,
> And no one goes away.

Here, at last, was the real thrill! How beautiful was emotion, methought. How natural and beautiful that one should think thus at a dance. I wished immediately to learn to waltz. This was quite as good as Pope, almost as tangible and concise—though I did have a dim notion that if the music fell in silver spray it must be as it did in the comic papers, where the notes are seen coming bodily from out the end of the horns. But about such a line as "Oh, that the caller would go on calling" I had no qualms whatever.

Next to poetry to which they can prove the answer, which utters trite commonplaces that they can readily comprehend, I think children usually like verse that they cannot comprehend at all, such as Poe's "Ulalume," taking pleasure in the mere rhythm of it and in the baffling sense of mystery and awe with which it leaves them. This feeling, I suspect, is something like the beginning of true taste. Where there is a liking for the music of lines, for the vague, haunting emotional element that says nothing definitely, yet gives one "feelings" and somehow stirs one, there is apt to be a bit of the spirit of poetry. Anatole France says that when he was a child he often troubled and brooded for hours over things that he knew perfectly well that his mother could explain to him, but he was withheld from asking her about them by a sort of delicate superstition, a fancy that if one talked about beautiful things in plain round terms they somehow vanished, and he feared mightily to dispel the enchantment. All sensitive children have experienced that subtle pleasure of being mystified, of preferring to be frightened even, rather than ask questions and run the risk of having their grotesque imaginings destroyed. A child may dread to consider the possibility that there may be terrible winged beasts lurking in the woodland behind his home, but he dreads much more being told that there are not, and could not possibly be, any such beasts there. There is often a delicate imaginative reserve in children, that their elders and betters would do well to imitate. A child does not like to inquire too definitely into the things that move him; he knows already that there are things that cannot be weighed in a balance or measured in a graduated glass, and he feels that to attempt it would be to break and spoil something. Most of us can remember when we first read Poe's "Raven," and believed the haunted man's exclamation,

> "Wretch," I cried, "Thy God hath lent thee, by these angels he hath sent thee,
> Respite, respite and nepenthe from thy memories of Lenore."

were addressed to the Raven, but we felt the thrill of the poem none the less for that. Indeed, I have never found the poem quite so delightfully weird since it has

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THE POETS BELOVED IN CHILDHOOD.

ALEXANDER POPE.

THOMAS MOORE.

HENRY W LONGFELLOW.

Novels, French and Frenchy

By ALGERNON C. DOUGHERTY

IF THE number of works of fiction that have been launched this year in France may be regarded as an indication of the expanding taste of the reading public, then the makers of books in that country may congratulate themselves upon the dawn of a prosperous era. It is a lamentable fact, however, that the quality of French literature has not improved proportionately to its quantity, and the same marks of degeneracy as of yore characterize a big part of its new novels. Fortunately, the epidemic of literary sensuality has not infected to the same noxious degree all the greater lights among the fiction writers of France. Most of the happy exceptions are members of the Academy. From these distinguished gentlemen, during the past year, have issued works that are almost un-French in their treatment, inasmuch as they tell tales of interest that are not plaited, in a luminous braid, all around the Seventh Commandment. To my notion, far and away the most remarkable of these is Paul Bourget's "Divorce," which is altogether as powerful a novel as has ever been penned by that master-hand. Of a different sort, but no less forceful in its way, and redolent with many charms, is "Crainquebille," from the clever brain of Anatole France, whose renown in England is almost as great as in his native land. That fascinating writer, Rene Bazin, produced a classic, many months ago, in "Donatienne," and has just now brought out a series of exquisite little tales, styled "Contes de Bonne Pierrette," which are bound to be translated into English and German, and further enhance the luster of his name. The "Contes" are ravishing little memories of childhood, narrated with a charm that is full of poetic fancy yet captivating in its simplicity.

Andre Theuriet's "Chantemine" is somewhat outside the usual range of that illustrious academician, and, being not quite so far above the heads of the populace as one is accustomed to find in his works has already run into many editions.

Pierre Loti, the sailor novelist, who writes about nearly everything except the sea, has been away from France almost the entire year, in command of one of the vessels of the Orient squadron. His naval duties, however, have not kept him from what he calls his "plaisirs litteraires," and he has sent back to his publishers the manuscript of a volume which has recently appeared under the title of "Vers l'Ispahan." Like his famous, "Madame Chrysantheme," it gives a tableau, in glowing hues, of eastern scenes, through which move picturesque types of the Orient.

Paul Hervieu's play, "Le Dedale," which was brought out at the Comedie Francaise, represents the sole literary work during the present year of the youngest of the immortals—or, at least, is the only one that has yet appeared. The comedy has been put into the form of a novel, and has been selling well, for it conforms pretty closely to the lamentable class of literary and dramatic productions that appeal so irresistibly to French taste.

Not in the Academy.

Outside of the charmed circle of the "Forty," the literary activity has been no less marked within the last year. Marcel Prevost wrote "La Plus Faible" for the Comedie Francaise. Its stage success invested it with such a wide prestige that the published play has been selling ever since like hot cakes—or a "hot" novel. From the same author's pen came a very different stamp of work in a volume styled, "Letters to Francoise." They are admirably written and so devoid of the usual Gallic spice that one is tempted to hope that the pure-souled young lady who got the letters was never taken by M. Prevost to see "La Plus Faible."

Paul and Victor Margueritte have let fiction alone for the nonce, and have been writing a history of the Paris Commune, which has been highly praised on all sides. Skilled novelists as they are, they knew how to tell the story of that thrilling period with the same entrancing interest that makes their romances so popular.

In "Dr. Harambur," J.-H. Rosny have written a powerful novel of an unusual style that has proved one of the best selling successes of the season. J.-H. Rosny is a literary partnership of two brothers.

Leon Daudet brought out two works within the year. One was a novel entitled "Decheance," which is interesting and clever, but too distinctively French to attract much attention abroad. The other was a somewhat polemic volume having for its title, "La France en Alarme." I have not read it, for the title steered me away from it, but I am told that the particular causes of the alarm in question have gone on existing for a century or so.

Maurice Barres, who, still quite a young man, may one of these days be elected to the Academy, for he is one of the best writers and most serious thinkers in France, brought out last week a new edition, with an opportune preface, of his "Homme Libre," which made such a distinct impression when it was first published 12 or 14 years ago. Singularly enough, the old story in its new dress is being read over again by the whole community with just as much interest as if it were the latest novelty in novels.

Georges Ohnet's "Chemin de la Gloire" is highly spoken of by the critics, and has, to my mind, the merit of being more like an American novel of a high class than most any of the recent works of French fiction.

The indefatigable "Gyp," the Ouida of French literature, has added a couple of really excellent stories to the long string of novels that are the delight of the Parisians. Her two latest are "Pervanche" and "Les Frossards." The novelist Willy has adapted one of Gyp's novels, "Friquet," for the stage, and it has proved one of the successes of the season at the Gymnase theater in Paris.

Maurice Donnay, author of "L'Autre Danger" and several other plays that have created a marked sensation in Paris, has recently published "The Return from Jerusalem," which is highly spoken of.

Madame Loiseau, who writes under the name of Daniel Lesueur, threatens to run Gyp a hard race for the frequency of her novels. She has quite recently brought out two new ones, "La Marquise de Valcor" and "Mme. de Ferneuse." Her stories are beginning to be very largely read in France, and by a high class of readers.

The Muse of the Gutter.

Jean Lorrain's "La Maison Philibert" is a shining example of the sort of salacious stuff the Paris public gloats over. Lorrain has a high order of genuine literary talent, and might very well produce a work that would be ranked as a classic. He cares less for glory, however, than for a fat check from his publishers, so it is probable he will continue exhaling his lucrative dirtiness.

Maxime Forment has more or less recently let loose on humanity, "Les Oiseaux de Passage" and "La Grande Amoureuse," which are not gems of high psychic radiance, but which have garnered the shekels for author and publisher.

Octave Mirbeau, whose clever but needlessly audacious "Diary of a Chambermaid" was so widely read throughout the world, has, I am told, a clever work in hand, which will make a sensation when it appears. He has published nothing, however, within a year.

Pierre de Coulevain's "Sur la Branche" has been widely read and much admired by a big portion of the French public, and his "Eve Victorieuse" and "Noblesse Americaine" were the novels most in evidence among the idle throngs at the summer resorts this year.

"Journal d'une Courtisane," by Andre Decamp, which is just out, promises, from its title, to be something of the same racy order as Mirbeau's famous book. Anyhow, its name is bound to attract the curiosity of the average reader.

Charles Louis Philippe, who is beginning to have a certain vogue as a writer in France, but, to my notion, with very little merit, has just published "Marie Donadieu." I have skimmed over it, and retain my former impression of this author's inanity.

Among other novels that have recently appeared are "L'Utile Amie," by Gustave Hue; "Les Idees de M. Bourru," by Jules Payot; "Le Roman de Violette," by Pierre Mael, and "La Seconde Faute," by Henri d'Hennezel.

Besides the many names that I have already cited, there is a big group of French novelists who are classified as "Les Populaires," conspicuous among whom are Jules Mary, Pierre Decourcelles, and Pierre Sales. Though of a higher stamp intellectually, they correspond somewhat, in prolixity, and in the sweet solace they administer to a big part of the community, to our Laura Jean Libbey. Like this industrious lady, they, too, have been hitting it up in great shape during the year, until the great ocean of thought is nigh overflowing from the tempestuous plenitude of these multitudinous dribbles. Then there are, also the "Feuilletonistes," or living fiction-factories that supply the steady demand of romance for all the daily and weekly newspapers and periodicals—for, be it understood, every newspaper in France considers it a duty to its readers to give them a homeopathic dose of continued fiction in every issue.

It will thus be seen that the producers of romance are not allowed much time for idling in the course of a year in France.

Paul Bourget's Best Work.

In such a stupendous firmament of twinklers, it is not always easy to pick out the one whose luster is the brightest, steadiest and greatest. This year, however, the task is simpler, for Paul Bourget's "Divorce" stands out pre-eminently among all the glittering mass. I have already styled it as powerful a novel as has ever been penned by that master-hand. In some respects it is his greatest. It not only fulfills the essential purpose of a novel in enlisting the keen interest of its readers, but it projects a great moral force into the discussion of a question that is the burning topic of the hour in several countries. In France, as well as in America and England, its opportuneness will vastly enhance its impressiveness. Among the "problem" novels of the day it will take first rank, for its theme is no abstract theory of sickly sentimentality or useless conjecture, but a living issue that is absorbing the attention of publicists everywhere. Moreover, its "problem" is not hidden away beneath a mountain of specious phrases, but stands forth boldly from the first page to the last. Nor does the author pile Pelion upon Ossa in his arguments for his own individual view, while strangling the contentions of the other side in the controversy. With incontestable fairness, he draws two opposing types, each strikingly representative and each so honest in his convictions and upright in his life as to win the sympathies of the reader. The advocate of divorce and the opponent of it are strong personalities, and each states his case, along the lines of an entrancing story, with frankness, force and conclusiveness.

Though it might not be evident to the average reader, M. Bourget is opposed to the principle of divorce, and his novel is a vigorous rejoinder to the plea for "free marriage" that was presented in Paul and Victor Margueritte's well known story, "Les Deux Vies." Naturally, the illustrious academician does not claim for his novel that it is an incontrovertible evidence of the universal iniquity of divorce. On the contrary, the case that forms the pivotal point of the story demonstrates that domestic felicity sometimes results from the remarriage of a divorcee, whose first marital venture had been full of sorrows. What the story shows is that divorce of itself is a sort of skeleton in the closet of the soul, against the pernicious influence of which even a household that is united in the tenderest love is never entirely protected.

The plot of the story begins to unravel itself from the opening page. The two chief characters are Albert Darras and his wife, who have been married 12 years. He is a self-made man of somewhat humble origin, who by dint of great intelligence, high character and assiduity has made himself an enviable position in the upper bourgeois social life of Paris. Gabrielle, his wife, belonged to an estimable family when, as a young girl, she had been married to a Comte de Chambault. The count turned out to be a man of profligate habits, whose treatment of his wife finally drove her to seek an absolute divorce. Years later, while her first husband was still alive, the countess married Albert Darras. For him she always entertained not only sentiments of the highest esteem, but the most devoted love. The Darras household consisted also of a son who had been born to the wife by her first marriage, and a daughter who was the issue of the second union. The four were bound together by complete reciprocal affection.

Albert Darras is the stamp of man who has grown conspicuous in the political life, and somewhat, also, in the social life, of the France of today. Regarding "the church" as the inseparable ally of "the classes," and consequently as an obstacle to progress and an enemy to the republic, Darras had become a pronounced free-thinker and a hater of all forms of religion. From the habit of comparing her former ignoble husband with the upright, conscientious man whose name she now bore, Gabrielle Darras unconsciously drifted into a thorough sympathy with the beliefs, or rather the non-beliefs of Albert.

Despite this tacit concurrence in the theories of her husband, Gabrielle considered it her motherly duty that their child should be brought up with some religious instruction, and arranged that the little girl should make

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An Arab Walt Whitman.

By CLAUDE MERCER.

WHETHER that eccentric eighteenth century student, "Horatius," who so delighted in curious research, meant Abou ibn Ur in his allusions to "that forgotten prophet of the gray dawn, the stern optimist, who insistently proclaimed to unheeding Syrians his message of the coming day," is open to question—indeed everything he says is open to question when bearing on a mere matter of fact, for he was sadly given to jocose quibbling and pretentious allusions, based on nothing, that perplexed while they charmed the reader. However that may be, Soleiman Abou ibn Ur, was, in all truth, a "prophet of the gray dawn," if he was anything at all, who sang continually the refrain—there's a good time coming for the man who will meet it half way. The color of his dawn-message was usually subdued—a clear reasonable gray. The oriental is nothing if not a colorist; so, the very fact that Abou's was no scarlet rhetoric, no doubt, in part explains the contemporary indifference and the subsequent neglect of the anthologies.

His poems, "visions," and "improvisations," were probably better known in the days just preceding Mohammed and during his life, than at any time since. The poetry of the period was not agreeable to the mighty prophet of Islam, so he wisely declared it to be of the devil, exclaiming: "I would rather have my belly full of corruption than of poetry!" Nevertheless, it is recorded that competent contemporaries said, "Er-ragul salih!—that is a good man!"

The unaccountable oblivion into which such a man can fall is illustrated by the fact that no rendition in verse (so far as the writer can learn) and none in prose worthy of a moment's notice, of Abou ibn Ur, is extant. A diligent search of the local city libraries fails to bring to light so much as the bare mention of his name.

The renaissance of Khayyam, Hafiz, Jami, and the rest should lead to an interest in this philosopher, poet, and mystic, should some competent orientalist adequately translate him. If you cry out against the insouciant pessimism of Omar, and of Abu'l Alu, recently trailing in his wake, here is the antidote, in the restrained optimism of the grave and elegant Abou ibn Ur.

The verse quoted below I have paraphrased in the English, somewhat loosely, yet as accurately as is consistent with the spirit and dignity of the original. The couplet, an unusual form for Arabic poetry, is used. While the poet himself used no titles, the poem may appropriately be headed

The Wreck of the Old.

Oh, what of the pleasance, the burden of yesterday?
The likeness abides though the hour is past away;

On the wreck of the Old the New builds up amain,
And lo, in the New the Old looks forth again!

There's a sound of sighs where the phantoms of sorrow are flown,
A fugitive grief when the poignance of pain is gone;

There's a laughter of hearts where the laughter of lips is fled,
An echo of song in the heart when the song is dead.

The words of the prophet that thundered celestial wrath
In the mouths of the heathen still ring like a blast of death!

The singer whose songs were the voice of a mighty pain,
His tears from a multitude fall like a summer rain.

But she whose secret shame was the jester's boast—
Though barren, her sons have become as a countless host;

Though Time hath cleansed from the feaster's robe its stains,
The wine of his folly yet leaps in a thousand veins.

Fool! wouldst thou slay the past? Thy blows are vain,
Through death as a door Life leaps unto Life again;

The Word that the scoffer mocked as little worth,
That was cast like a mustard seed upon the earth,

Has bursted its walls and exulted toward the sky
And the corses of them that mocked beneath it lie!

In the above, which represents the poet in his severer mood, there is a grand Hebraic manner which it is vain to try to reproduce in translation—something of the heavy passion of the Old Testament prophets. The following shows him in his more characteristic philosophic mood. The original is preceded by a dialogue between "The Seeker" and the poet, in which the latter is represented as being consulted on a question of astrology. Unlike most orientals Abou was not a fatalist; on the contrary he never ceased to preach the gospel of aspiration and effort. To hold astrology lightly was a remarkable thing in his day; but his doubt of the claims of that science is clearly enough shown in the lines to

The Seeker.

Nay, look thou not to any star,
But fix thy vision higher yet
Than wheeling systems, nor forget
Beyond the star-set zones afar
A goal is, worth the strife of man,
Where thou mayst sit, if in the van
Thou struggle still untired on,
Nor linger on the dubious way
Where fields are fair to look upon
And Hell-born Circes play,
That lull the weary toiler's sense
To dreams of summer indolence.
Oh, not in mysteries occult,
By depths of astrologic lore,
Mayst thou the ultimate result,
Fore-looking, venture to attain;
Cease then o'er mystic scroll to pore!
Seek rather thou the end to gain
By studying the mind of Man
And Mankind's heart and Nature's heart,
Nay, throw away the magian's chart;
Subservient then to Nature's plan,
If thou wilt gauge thine own right hand,
Its strength and cunning, thou wilt find
Achievement and solution grand!
(For, ranging in the Higher Mind—
Though now at peace or now at strife,
Still parcel of the higher life—
Thy thoughts do there fruition find.)
So mayst thou know and understand
The wonder of that mystery
That foolish ones name Destiny.
And, knowing, feel that all was planned
In vast simplicity.

The "Improvisations" reveal more than any other of his productions the mystical tendency of his mind that differentiates him from the materialism of his age. Contempt of worldly disadvantage, faith in himself, faith in the future of man, these were the dominant notes of his message. The cryptic lines beginning "Cease, oh Khalid, to importune me," from the noble improvisation addressed to Khalid ibn Hammam, are given below. They are notable by reason of the fact that later students found in them the only confession of authorship that he ever attached to any of his writings.

Cease, oh Khalid, to importune me further
Lest thou be further deceived!
Allah created man from barren clay,
Urges this new prophet,
Dried clay—like an earthen vase—
Even as also the genii of clear flame out of smoke.
Methought, when I heard this—it is I,
Even I, who am an everlasting fire,
Rather than any foolish thing of smoke!
Cease, then, oh Khalid, to hold my hand,
Else my spirit eludes thee altogether,
Rather seek me alone and in the dark.

Does not that remind one of Whitman? Compare the concluding lines above with his "When you think you have me, lo, I elude you!" There is a complacent note of exultation in the consciousness of superior life in both that marks them as first cousins in spirit. One cannot but dream that these two, had they met as Syrian and Syrian long ago, or later as Americans on common ground, must have been "camaradoes" in thought—as Whitman would put it—despite our poet of democracy's coarser side. I can picture their shades meeting and greeting there beyond the division of the years, gladly, as loving friends meet and clasp hands after a long silence.

Freaks of the Types.

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list, covering two pages, occurs in a Juvenal sent forth in 1478 from the press of a Venetian printer by the archangelic and apostolic name of Gabrielis Petrus. The demand for books increasing, unschooled laymen were initiated into the "black art," competition lowered prices and quality, and the scrupulous neatness of the early era passed away. The erratum-list waxed and grew great. An edition of Pico della Mirandula, issued at Strassburg in 1507, had 15 large folio pages devoted to errata. An English Bible printed by Hills & Field, boasted of more than 6,000 errors.

But there is no unalloyed evil. Even errata have their uses. Many books, such as the famous Wicked Bible, owe their value solely to some curious blunder of the printer.

When Alcibiades Simonides, the notorious forger of ancient manuscripts, turned up at Athens with a complete Homer of almost fabulous antiquity, its spurious character was discovered through the fact that it reproduced all the errors and inaccuracies of Wolf's Iliad.

Another use, and a most curious one, to which the erratum-list was put by some astute polemics of the dark ages, was to outwit the Inquisition. The word "fatum" was interdicted at a time when all theological Europe trembled at the name of Averrhoes. One recalcitrant schoolman, more prudent than Vanini or Bruno, wrote "factum" throughout his work; in the erratum-list he told the reader to omit the letter "c." Had Galileo been "shrewd" enough to write his "Dialogo" in harmony with orthodox theories, counseling the reader through the errata to supply or elide "non" as required, science might have had one martyr less.

The naive apologies of some early printers pass current even today. In 1524, a Leipsic printer issued a Biblical commentary which contained an erratum-list of average size, with this "kindlie commendation to ye readour," to transliterate the quaint old German into its English equivalent: "Ye kindlie readour will supplie agreeable to ye sense of that he readeth, forasmuch as ye winter season bringeth darkness, and ye printers in ye warm room do readilie fallen into lazinesse and sleepe, whereby many matters be readilie overlooked." Another, who printed a prayer-book from type that had seen better days, and in printers' parlance was "worn down to the second nick," sent forth this unique and frank manifesto: "This book is almost illegible, but it is printed as well as could be for the price, and being a book that everyone should know by heart, it matters little if it cannot be read."

A book of 172 pages, 15 of them devoted to errata, had this preface by the author: "These abundant errors are due to the machinations of Satan, even the Evil One, for eke this book is a mightie weapon and discourseth against the 'all too Abominable Swearing and Carousing of the Soldiery,' and it hath stirred the wrath of Beelzebub, unto whom these abominations are sweet incense." This excuse is still at par in all printing offices. If aught is wrong, the devil is blamed.

Children and Poetry.

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occurred to me that the bird could not possibly have such memories.

This would be a sorry, limited world could we feel only the things that we understand. Most children are averse to a close analysis of poetry. Nine times out of ten this results merely from indolence, but it happens now and then that the tenth lad holds back because he has the root of the matter in him. For poetry is essentially the way men have felt toward things, not what they have thought about them. The elements of great poetry are just those which cannot be taught or defined or analyzed, and the moment a theorist attempts to treat it by scientific analysis, he demonstrates only that he is a mathematician or logician who mistook his calling. Matthew Arnold himself said that he wanted no better proof of a man's inability to understand poetry than his assertion that he could name the elements which made it great. If a man or boy does not by the grace of God feel the inherent nobility, the splendid cadence of a line like Hamlet's "Absent thee from felicity awhile," or Benvolio's

Madam, an hour before the worshiped sun
Peered from the golden windows of the east,

there is no power on earth that can make him feel it. He can be, indeed, taught something about the characters of Benvolio and Hamlet, something about the development of the plays in which they take a part, but for him the plays, and indeed all other poetry in the world, might just as well have been written in prose. He knows, perhaps, as much about poetry as an anatomist knows about figure painting.

All critics have long ago felt with Matthew Arnold that an appreciation of poetry cannot be taught, any more than the measles or scarlatina can be taught. One may, however, under favorable conditions and with the right constitution to start upon, catch any of the three. Whoever reads poetry devotedly, the poetry of the Greeks and Latins particularly, must eventually acquire some sense of values, but it will be because he loves it, rather than because he studies it. The notion that young people in general or older people in general can be taught to love great poetry is a harmless absurdity; they will always love bad poetry—that is, if they are so eccentric as to care for poetry at all. The average boy and girl comes out with his literature just where he does with his music; he takes lessons in both and ends by knowing nothing about either. He likes "Oh, Promise Me," and E. P. Roe, and he has an idea that Shakespeare and Milton both expressed worthy sentiments.

The hopeful aspect about the study of poetry is just the fact that a taste for it cannot be put into one any more than a really discriminating musical sense can. Ordinarily the college readings in verse drag along well enough; the few who have the special sense read poetry, a highly specialized form of art, appealing to a highly developed and specialized sense, and the rest get the story and a few mathematical notions about pulling figures to pieces or the mechanics of verse. Everyone gets what is meet for him. No troubling of the old order of things occurs until some clever theorist comes along who, by inventing some exercise for the mathematical faculties of his unimaginative students, can delude them into the notion that they find poetry interesting. These and their disciples argue that the propagation of taste lies in analysis, and quote the methods of the laboratory, forgetting that though the scientist may pull flowers and insects to pieces, the artist studies them in quite another way. Their own scientific analogy holds but too well, and it is doubtful whether students who can be brought to care for poetry only by laboratory methods ever get much more out of it than the average working zoologist will get from Schumann's "Butterflies." None of these theories, however, have spread far enough to bring the world by any short cut to Parnassus. We have still to be thankful for the utter, the glorious futility of systems; for of all machine-made products, the machine-made student of literature is the poorest.

Novels, French and Frenchy.

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her first communion with her youthful mates. The instinctive religious fervor of the child, awakened by the preparation for the sacrament, soon began to exercise a strangely introspective effect upon the mother, who, growing troubled in her mind over her own lost faith, consulted a venerable priest. From this interview ensue the episodes which constitute the novel.

The aged clergyman, who is, moreover, an illustrious savant and a member of the Institute, enunciates to the unhappy woman the inexorable decree that, as remarriages of divorced persons are forbidden by the church, she has been living for years in sin, and can only make her peace with God by separating from the man to whom she had been united by a civil ceremony.

From that instant life becomes a torture to Mme. Darras. A strange chain of deplorable coincidences seems to confirm the warning of the priest that a further continuance of her present mode of life would provoke the punishment of God. The logic and common-sense of her practical husband fail to convince her that her impulses are simply those of an emotional woman played upon by her superstition; so she leaves his house. Then follows an interview between the enraged husband and the gentle priest, in which are marshaled with vigorous and telling effect the strongest of the arguments for and against divorce.

The novel has made a great sensation in France, and a timely one, too, for beyond the main question of the remarriage of divorced persons, it handles with trenchant power a subject that is uppermost now in that country; the combat between church and state, religion and free-thinking, individual liberty and governmental oppression.

In the United States and England, "Divorce" ought to prove a conspicuous factor in the prevailing agitation over the right of divorced persons to remarry. If the leaders of the opposing factions in the great controversy could borrow something of M. Bourget's considerate fairness for an adversary's views, the sermons of the ecclesiastics and the homilies of their opponents would prove much more convincing to that part of the general public which is undecided about the question, but is willing to listen.

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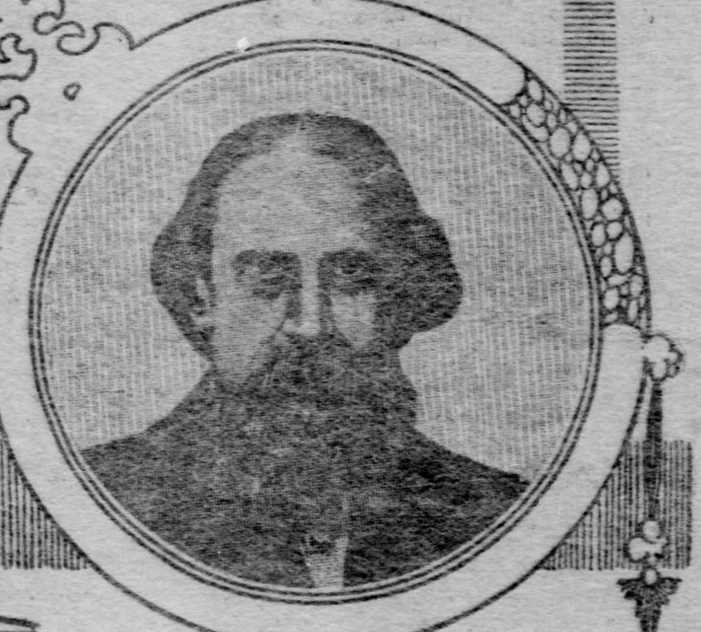

Sir Leslie Stephen

THOUGH Ibsen and Tolstoy were several times reported to be hovering on the verge of death, they recovered each time, but in Maurus Jokai another giant went to join Zola and Herbert Spencer, who passed beyond the veil in 1902 and 1903. Jokai belonged not to Hungarian literature alone, but to all the world. This most popular of Magyar romancers was born at Komorn, in 1825, and died at Budapest, on May 5, 1904. He was associated with Kossuth and Petofi in the Hungarian uprising of 1849, and narrowly escaped with his life; his adventures are told in the autobiographical novel, "Eyes Like the Sea." He wrote more than a hundred novels, most popular of which is perhaps the one translated under two titles, "A Modern Midas" and "Timar's Two Worlds;" his own preference was "A Hungarian Nabob."

Another great foreigner, who died as he was about to start for the scene of the eastern war, was Anton Chekhov, the Russian Maupassant, a realist with a powerful satiric pen, the friend of Tolstoy and Gorki. He was born in 1860 at Taganrok; he died July 15, 1904, of consumption. He wrote short stories and plays, one or two novels, and was the most popular author in all Russia.

George Gissing, who died in the last days of 1903, was a novelist who has always been highly praised and little read. He was born at Wakefield, 1857, and died December 28, 1903. Among his best-known books are "The Whirlpool" and "The Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft." His last novel, "Veranilda," appeared this year.

Sir Leslie Stephen, the critic and biographer, was born at London, in 1832, and died February 22, 1904. He was editor of the great "Dictionary of National Biography," and among his best-known works are "Hours in a Library," "History of English Thought in the Eighteenth Century," the volumes on Swift, Pope and Johnson in the first English Men of Letters series, and those on George Eliot and Hobbes in the new series.

Sir Edwin Arnold, the author of "The Light of Asia," was born at Gravesend in 1832, and died March 24, 1904. His first volume of poems appeared in 1853. He spent many years in India and Japan. "The Light of Asia" being considered a credo of Buddhism, he wrote "The Light of the World" as a Christian sequel, but it did not become so popular. "The Voyage of Ithobal" was his last book.

Another venerable English author passed away in Samuel Smiles, the author of "Self-Help," a book translated into many languages. He was born in Scotland in 1812, studied medicine and then dropped into journalism, and died April 18, 1904. Among his most popular books are "Character," "Thrift" and a "Life of George Stephenson." At ninety-two years of age he was the dean of British authors, hale and hearty to the last. His death leaves George MacDonald, the author of "David Elginbrod," now eighty years of age, the oldest of living English writers.

A unique literary figure passed away in Lafcadio Hearn, who was born in Greece in 1850, came to America at 19 and turned to journalism, but visited Japan about 1890 and remained there until his death, September 26, 1904. He had a rich exotic imagination and a style colorful and poetic. His last books were "Kwaidan," a volume of Japanese ghost stories, and "Japan, an Interpretation," tracing the evolution of Japanese character.

Laurence Hutton, well known by his Literary Landmark books and one of the foremost authorities on the history of the stage, was born in New York city, 1843, and died there on June 10, 1904. Among his works, 18 volumes in all, were a life of Edwin Booth and "Curiosities of the American Stage," besides half a dozen or so Landmark books.

Wilhelm Jordan, one of Germany's great poets, born at Insterburg in 1819, died on June 25. His best-known work, "Die Nibelunge," is a modernized version of the famous Germanic epic; he traveled from town to town, reciting his poem like the bards of old, and even visited Russia and America on these tours. His first volume of poems had appeared in 1841, so he was before the public more than half a century.

Other noted writers who died during the year 1904 were Theodor Herzl, whose book, "The Jewish State," started the Zionist movement; Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer and author of "In Darkest Africa;" Emile Deschanel, the friend of Victor Hugo, and author of "Studies in Aristophanes;" Enrico Panzacchi, an Italian lyric poet, author of a life of Wagner; Guy Metmore Carryl, author of humorous verse and "The Transgression of Andrew Vane;" Wilson Barrett, actor and author, whose last book was "The Never, Never Land;" Edgar Fawcett, the novelist. Augustus C. Buell, historian and biographer; and Col. Prentiss Ingraham, author of more than a thousand dime novels.

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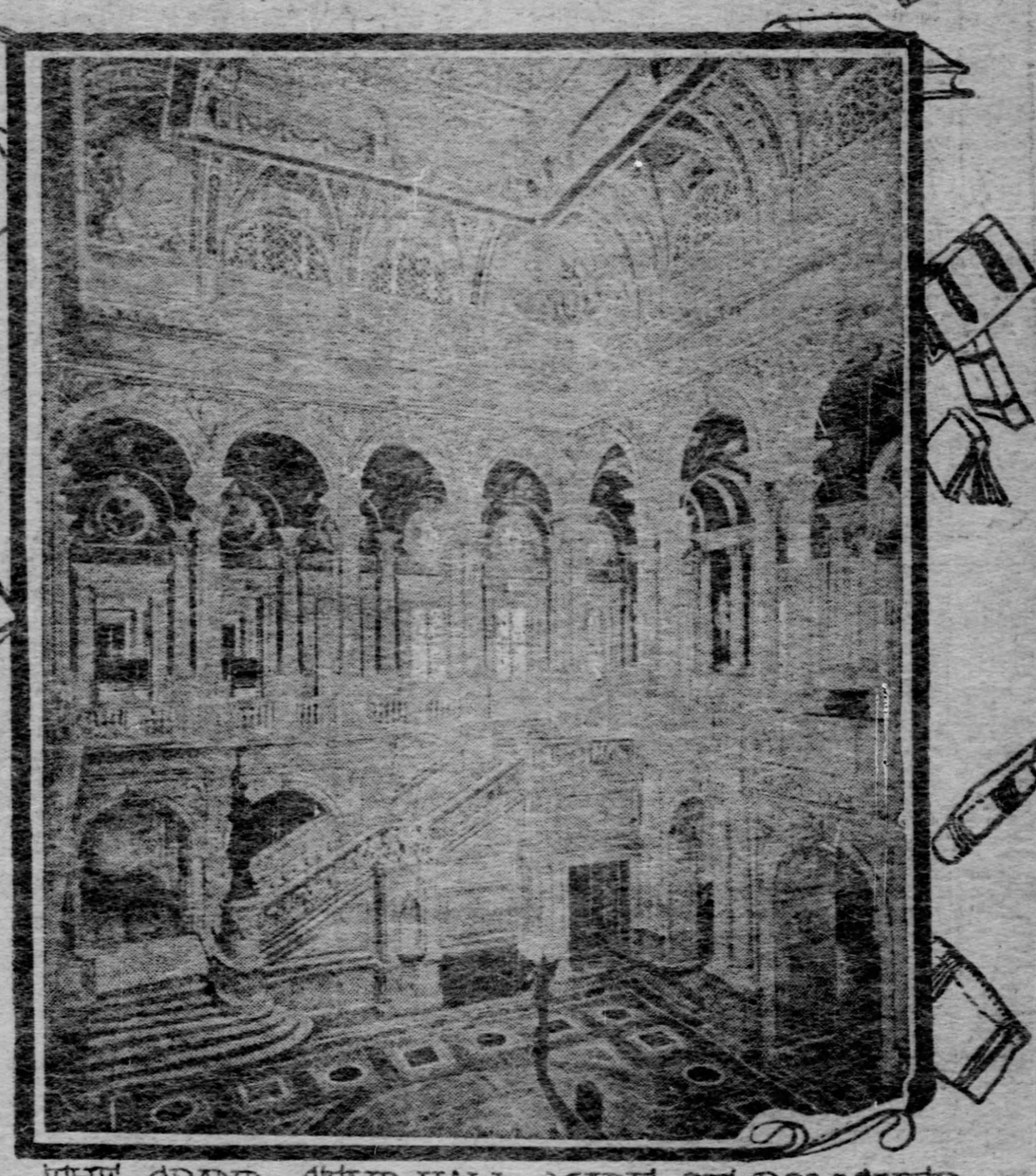

THE GRAND STAIR HALL, MADE OF POLISHED ITALIAN MARBLE

VISITORS to the national capital find much to please and some things to disappoint. The natural beauties and the sacred associations of Mount Vernon are impressive, the magnitude of the capitol is awe-inspiring, the streets and parks are delightful, but in many cases the White House proves a great disappointment. People come there after hearing of the great improvements that have been made in the president's official residence, and after looking it over they leave with the impression that it is much lacking as the home of the president of the United States.

But the great redeeming attraction of Washington, the one that impresses every visitor and inspires in all a proper pride, is the Congressional library. This magnificent building, the largest and finest library building in the whole world, is well worth the time required to make a thorough inspection of it. The exterior is imposing and dignified, but the moment the visitor enters the great bronze portals he is charmed with the lavish decorations and the splendid artistic effects that greet him on every hand.

The grand stair hall, which has been described as a "vision in polished stone," surpasses anything of the kind in the world. Not among the palaces and public buildings of the old world can anything be found to approach it in artistic splendor. Throughout it is lined with fine Italian marble, polished to the highest degree possible. On the sides rise lofty rounded columns, with elaborate carved capitals of Corinthian design; while the arches are adorned with marble rosettes, palm leaves and foliated designs of exquisite finish and delicacy. The great height of this entrance hall, rising 72 feet to the skylight, with its vaulted ceiling and the grand double staircase, with its white marble balustrades leading up on either side, presents an architectural effect that may fitly be termed imposing.

Words Are Inadequate.

To attempt a detailed description of the building would require columns of space and would then fail to convey to the reader an adequate idea of its beauty. The impression that is gained from the magnificence of this entrance hall is not dispelled as the visitor proceeds to other parts of the library. The mural decorations represent industry, art, science, poetry, war, peace and every department of human attainment. One of the most striking of these is the mosaic Minerva, by Elihu Vedder. It stands at the head of the stairway leading up from the east corridor to the balcony of the reading room. Few visitors pass without pausing to study the beauty and significance of the work.

The reading room also draws from every visitor words of extravagant praise. This vast apartment is imposing in size and effective in architectural design and color scheme of marble walls and pillars and tiers of arches and balustrades and the uplifted dome with its elaborate stucco ornamentation. The room is 100 feet in diameter and 125 feet in height. The pillars are 40 feet high and the windows 32 feet wide. The richness of the color effect lies in the marbles, of which the dark are from Tennessee, the red from Numidia and the shades of yellow from Siena.

The fountain, the court of Neptune, which is located at the base of the steps leading up the main entrance, is another object of great interest. The figures are by Hinton Perry and are of bronze. They represent conch-blowing tritons, sea nymphs, sea horses, serpents, frogs and turtles.

It is a source of satisfaction that all the decorations in the library building are the work of American artists and sculptors. About 40 of them are represented and not a foreigner among them, which speaks well for the high standard that American art has attained.

In the construction of this magnificent building there is one striking fact, and that is that it cost less than the amount congress appropriated for it. This is true of no other public building erected by the government. The actual expenditures usually exceed the estimates, but in the case of the library the opposite was true. There was appropriated by congress for this purpose $6,500,000, exclusive of the site, which cost $585,000. But the cost of the building was held down to $6,347,000, and the difference was turned back into the general treasury of the United States. It was completed in February, 1897, and was opened to the public in November of the same year. The gilded dome is visible several miles away when the sun shines brightly. Gold leaf to the value of $25,000 was used to cover this dome.

Room for Millions of Books.

This congressional library occupies three and three-quarters acres upon a site 10 acres in extent. The floor space is 326,195 square feet, or nearly eight acres. The book stacks contain about 45 miles of shelving, affording space for 2,000,000 octavo volumes. Were the long corridors, now used in part for exhibition purposes, completely shelved, the building would accommodate over 4,000,000 such volumes.

An idea of the expense of maintaining the library can be had from the appropriations made for this purpose last year, which were $652,785, distributed as follows: $384,185 for services (including the copyright office and including also the care of the building), $91,300 for books and periodicals, $37,300 for fuel, supplies, miscellaneous purposes, including contingent expenses; $45,000 for furni-

FRIEDRICH SCHILLER,

Germany's Greatest Poet, the Centenary of Whose Death Will Be Observed Throughout the World on May 5, 1905. From a Portrait by Anton Graff.

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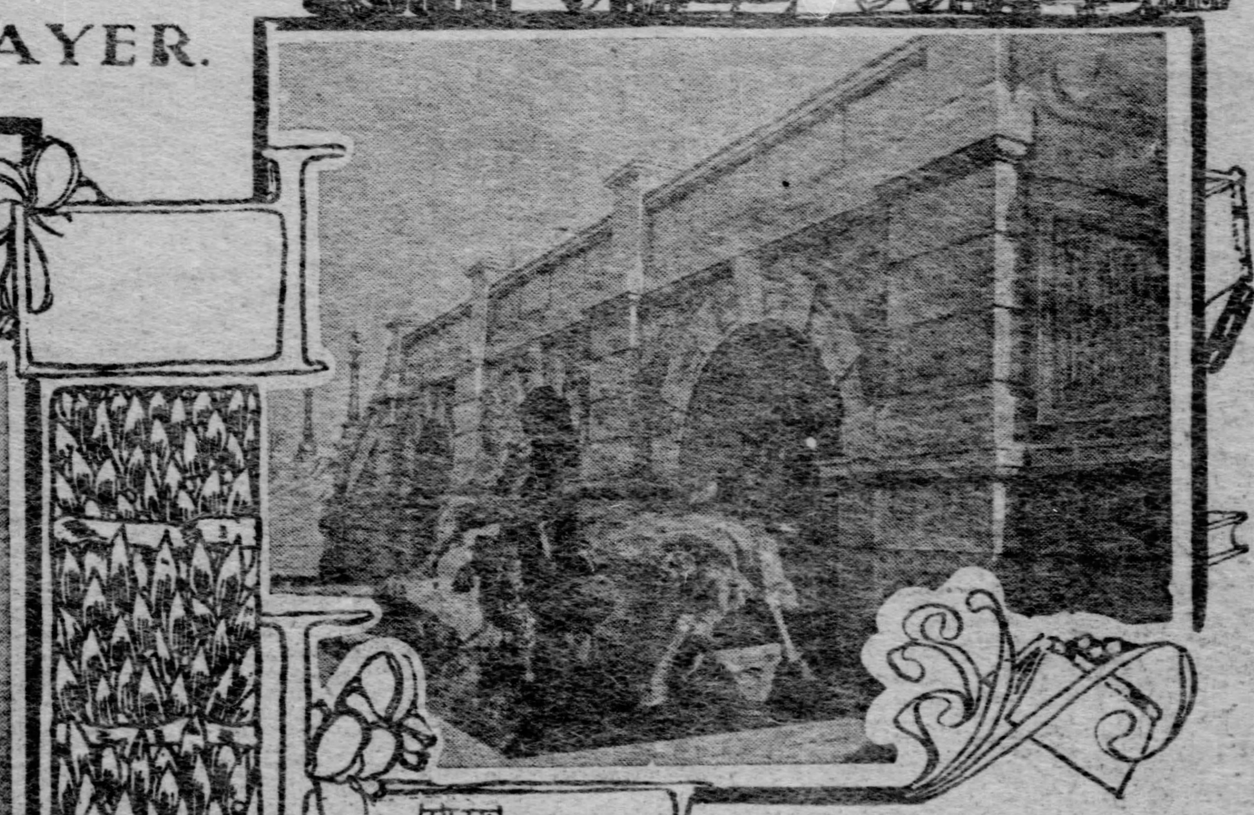
By LOUIS W. STRAYER.



ture, shelving, etc., and $95.000 allotment for printing and binding at the government printing office. There are 406 persons employed in the building. The public is at liberty to use any book in the library, but cannot take it from the building. The president, vice president, senators, representatives, justices of the supreme court and heads of the executive departments are authorized by law to draw books for home use.

The library of congress was established in 1800, but it was practically entirely destroyed in 1814, when the British burned the capital. But steps were immediately taken to build it up again, and it has grown from that time until today it is the largest on the western hemisphere and contains about 1,114,111 printed books and pamphlets, 99,532 manuscripts, 64,921 maps and charts, 345,511 pieces of music and 127,002 photographs, prints, engravings and lithographs. The collection is rich in history, political science, jurisprudence, in official documents, national, state and foreign, and in Americana, including important files of American newspapers and original manuscripts. The library itself and the grand building in which it is housed are worthy the pride of all American citizens.

A Valuable Psalter.

By HAYDEN CHURCH.

"I suppose some rich American will get the Psalter," said a London dealer in rare editions. "They seem to be getting everything of the kind nowadays; but he will have to pay a stiff price for it." As a matter of fact it is expected that the Latin Psalter of 1459, which is to be sold in London on December 10, will produce the largest sum ever paid at auction for a printed book. That seems likely enough, too, when you consider the wonderful way in which the value of this rare work has increased in recent times. It is printed on vellum, and, with wonderful capital letters, the method of whose production still puzzles the student, is one of the great monuments of early printing. Twenty copies of the Psalter are supposed to have been printed, of which about a dozen have been found. The present one was discovered in the library of an Austrian count after his death. One or two examples will show how amazingly the money worth of the Psalter has risen during the last century or so. In 1813 a copy brought $300. During the next 11 years it doubled in price, for in 1824 a specimen owned by Sir Mark Sykes brought $650. And when, in 1884, the same book was sold again it brought the amazing sum of $24,750, the buyer being the late Mr. Quaritch.

This Psalter is one of two especially tempting "lots" to be sold on the same day, the other being Robert Burns' family Bible. This Bible, printed in 1776, has no intrinsic value, but it contains the poet's autograph, and it was used by him and his kinsfolk for many years. It contains also the record of the Burns family. The book was willed to Robert Burns by his mother, and then passed to William Nicol Burns, the poet's second surviving son. He gave it to his niece, who owns it at present. Competition for possession of it, as well as of the priceless Psalter, is expected to be keen, but after the acquisition by Americans of the "Paradise Lost" manuscript and the Shakespeare Bible, the other day, there seems little doubt that they will be carried across the Atlantic.

The Shakespeare Bible which was sold to an American a few weeks ago for something like £150 would have brought a great deal more if the signature on the inside cover had been unquestionably authentic. It satisfied some of the collectors, however, and that sufficed to make the bidding very lively. That an American carried off the prize is but another chapter in the old, old story. England is getting used to losing her literary treasures under the auctioneer's hammer, and hardly a ripple of resentment is felt as some new prize goes across the Atlantic. Little surprise would be felt if some morning it were announced that a Yankee had bought Shakespeare's village and was getting ready to transport it to the environs of Chicago.

An Author's Resolutions

By ALOYSIUS COLL.

If the following tablet of New Year's resolutions were adopted throughout the land by novelists and poets, during the year, 1905, ye authors might expect, beyond a reasonable doubt, to receive $2 a word for your work, postage accounts swept from the page of your monthly expenses, and fame securely chained to your door post:

Roll your manuscripts; in that form they will fit more snugly into the editor's waste basket.

Write on two sides of the paper; the cost of your stationery will be cut in half.

Write long letters to the editors; by the time they have plodded through these epistles they will not have an opportunity to read the manuscripts you inclose and find out how very bad they are.

If you write, marry at once; your wife and family may be able to support you.

Don't forget to kill all the characters you bring to life in your stories, before you write "Finis" to the end of them; remember that Death is the natural end of everything that has life.

Refrain from originality; if you would please an editor, forward him an imitation of some style or plot that he has already published, and thereby prove to him that you harmonize with his judgment.

Never use a typewriter; a good one costs $100 at the dealer's—and a bad one is liable to cost considerable more, in the court. Besides, there is a likelihood that in pondering over your illegible pen-script the editor may fall asleep—and in a dream mail you a check.

Permit not the girl you desire for a wife to look into the book in which you keep a record of your manuscripts; few girls wish to figure as the only acceptance, where there have been so many rejections.

Let the Divine Afflatus sleep late in the mornings; by so doing you can make two meals a day an ascetic sufficiency.

Disdain revision; let not the fire of genius return to the smoldering stumps where once the tinder of the underbrush has been swept clean by its holy conflagration.

Write morbid stories; if editors cannot possibly get anything else to print they may buy them.

In conclusion, let me advise you to tear up these resolutions as soon as you have read them, and forget them as soon as you have tried them: like all New Year's resolutions, they are the pledges of one day only, and are not made to stand the wear and tear of practical use.

Herford Versus Zangwill.

A good story is told about Israel Zangwill and Oliver Herford, in which Zangwill for once failed to score in a passage of wit. Herford was in London and one of the magazines had printed a little poem of his about a butterfly, the idea of which was similar to that of a short story by Zangwill. The two happened to meet, and the author of "Children of the Ghetto" lost no time in rebuking the poet for alleged "cruelty to literature."

"What do you mean, Herford, by spoiling my story with your foolish rhymes?"

"Which story do you refer to, Zangwill—which one of your numerous masterpieces?"

"My butterfly story."

Herford's light and airy manner at once became deeply serious. He dropped his monocle and whispered confidentially: "I say, old chap, where did you get that story?"

"From the Talmud," answered Zangwill in a deep voice, as though pronouncing judgment.

"I thought so," said Herford, "So did I."

CHARLES AUGUSTIN SAINTE-BEUVE,

The Famous French Critic and Essayist, the Centenary of Whose Birth Will Be Widely Observed on December 23, 1904. After a Drawing by Eugene Girard.

Some New-Born Authors

Henry W. Elson

Edith Rickert

"O Henry"

Helen Pitkin

Elinor Macartney Lane

Miriam Michelson

Upton Sinclair

Philip Payne

James Branch Cabell

QUITE a number of promising writers have arrived during the past year, some making their first bow to the reading public, others scoring their first big hit. Most of them have been novelists, as usual nowadays, but there is one notable exception in Henry W. Elson, author of a one-volume "History of the United States," which by fine narrative qualities and charm of style at once took a high place. It was not Mr. Elson's first book by any means, as his "Side-Lights on American History" were published in 1899, and he has also written biographies of Jackson, Grant and Boone for young people, but it is the book that he will henceforth be known by. Mr. Elson was born on a farm in Muskingum county, Ohio, in 1857, and was a preacher for years before giving up the ministry to become a University Extension lecturer and author. He has also written a "Star-Gazer's Handbook."

A new humorist made his appearance about a year ago, whose stories of western life bore the strange device "O. Henry" as a signature. His real name was finally revealed as Sydney Porter, a gentleman from Texas, who found himself in New York two years ago and took to literature. His first novel is entitled "Cabbages and Kings." A series of humorous sketches from his pen has just begun in The Sunday Gazette. He is still a very young man, but he has lived a varied life. He has been a cowboy, sheep herder, merchant, salesman, miner, and a great many other nameless things in the course of a number of very full years spent doing our West, Southwest, Mexico, South and Central America. The conjunction and contrast of absurdity and dignity in both the plot and wording of his stories make them something quite as original as the work of Mark Twain, Bill Nye, or George Ade. In fact, Mr. Henry has quite justified his title as the new American humorist.

Edith Rickert, whose novel of the Shetland islands, "The Reaper," is being compared with Hall Caine's earlier work, is an American, a graduate of Vassar, but has taken up her residence abroad. Her reputation in this country has been limited to the circle of readers of the Chicago Record-Herald and New York Evening Post, to which papers she has contributed from time to time, but her novel should make her widely known.

Miss Helen Pitkin, author of "An Angel by Brevet," is a southern newspaper woman, and for several years has written a weekly page for the New Orleans Times-Democrat. She is a musician and an athlete, being known throughout the South as a harpist and a horsewoman. On her mother's side she is a collateral descendant of Margaret Fuller. Her new novel is receiving high praise for its naturalness and vivacity, and Miss Pitkin may be expected to make a name for herself in the field of literary endeavor.

Miriam Michelson, whose books "In the Bishop's Carriage" and "The Madigans" are among the most popular of the year, is another young newspaper woman of varied experience. She was a western woman, and came to Philadelphia a few years ago to work on the North American. From writing society news she turned to dramatic criticism, and her work soon attracted wide attention. Then she drifted into the magazines, her short stories finding ready acceptance, and finally "The Reader" published "In the Bishop's Carriage" as a serial, which established her reputation as a sparkling and witty writer.

Elinor Macartney Lane, whose "Nancy Stair" was one of the best novels of the year, won praise from James Russell Lowell for a school essay written when she was but nine years old. Her first novel, "The Mills of God," published three years ago, made a hit at once; her new book, in which Robert Burns is one of the characters, has assured her fame. Miss Lane is of Irish descent, and it is a tradition that at the age of four she was borrowed by neighbors to tell them stories.

Upton Sinclair is a young American author, who seems to have found himself at last, after much floundering through bogs of experiment and misjudgment. "King Midas," his first novel, was a very promising work. Then he perpetrated the "Journal of Arthur Stirling" hoax and a doubtful satire entitled "Prince Hagen." In his new book, "Manassas," first of a trilogy, he has written a stirring and graphic war novel.

Philip Payne, the young Chicago novelist, who wrote "The Mills of Man" a little over a year ago, has confirmed the notable impression made by that book with another, "The Duchess of Few Clothes." He is a realist, with the gifts of humor and style; and much may be expected from him. His books have made their way by sheer merit, having been published by a western house without preliminary puffs and attracting attention by their vivid character-drawing and vigorous style.

James Branch Cabell, who wrote "The Eagle's Shadow," was born in Richmond 25 years ago, and is connected with the family of Thomas Jefferson. He graduated from William and Mary college, where six generations of his family were educated; then he entered journalism, and worked two years on the New York Herald. He gave up newspaper work to devote all his time to story-writing. One of his earliest advisers was the late Charles Dudley Warner.

NEW BOOKS FOR YOUNG FOLKS

TO WRITE for children is one of the rarest of arts, as well as one of the greatest of privileges. Many are called, but few are chosen. Last year the best book for children—still in the neuter gender—was Mrs. Laura E. Richards' "Golden Windows." This year the best is by Miss Rosalind Richards, a daughter of Mrs. Richards. "The Nursery Fire," which is published by Little, Brown & Co., shows that she has all her mother's rare gifts. The strange adventures of Susan when she went forth to do people good, and how John T. went on an exploring expedition and lived with a policeman, and like episodes are told with genuine sympathy that will make them as breathless to the nursery folk as "Robinson Crusoe" would be at a more advanced age. The titles of such stories as "The Hammock Ship," "The Mumps Circus" and "The Soap-Box Garden" are enough to entrap and entrance. For children below 10 this is the best of the new books, and the pictures by Clara E. Atwood enhance its charm. ($1.50.)

Somewhat of a novelty is "Little Almond Blossoms," by Jessie Juliet Knox. Mrs. Knox lives in California, and through the Chinese consul at San Francisco she met many Chinese of the better class in this country, and from them gathered the material for her book of stories. The tales of "The Moon Rabbit," "Ho Chin's Fourth of July," "How Santa Claus Came to Suey Hip," and about a dozen more, are delightfully naive and interesting. The volume is illustrated with photographs of real Chinese babies, and is published by Little, Brown & Co. ($1.50.)

"Witchery Ways," by Amos R. Wells, is a book of novel fairy tales that will please boys and girls from 10 to 15 years of age. Mr. Wells believes that goblins, gnomes, pixies, elves and their kinfolk spend their time at something else besides sipping honey-dew and dancing around toadstools. These fairy tales tell the real doings of the fairy folk. "The Discerning Hammer" will hammer a truth or two into the young heads; at "The Magic Counter" they may buy some notions worth having; and they may let "The Propulsive Pen" do some of their writing, while taking heed as they walk through "The Wishing-Snow." The book is published by the Henry Altemus Company. (50 cents.)

A real treasure for any girl is contained in "Handicraft and Recreation for Girls," by Lina and Adelia B. Beard. Here are nearly 400 pages filled with suggestions for many happy hours. There are 19 chapters on handicrafts, which embrace Spinning, Weaving on a Home-Made Loom, Possibilities of a Clothes Line, How to Weave a Splint Basket, Nature Study with Tissue Paper, Pottery without a Potter's Wheel, Funny Little Apple Toys, etc. Then there are 11 chapters on recreations, which include Egg Games for Easter Holidays, Halloween Revels, Open-Air Play-Houses, a Straw-Ride Picnic, and scores of similar amusements, games, etc. There are nearly 600 illustrations. It is a book that will keep a girl busy and happy until she is grown up. Charles Scribner's Sons are the publishers. ($1.60.)

Story Books for Girls.

Among story books for girls there is none that will have a warmer welcome than "The Little Gray House," by Marion Ames Taggart. It is a story of the Alcott sort—the house sheltering a flock of delightful young people who have splendid good times, and who managed to make sunshine for themselves even when misfortune struck their little home, until they succeeded in getting the best of their ill-luck. McClure, Phillips & Co. are the publishers. ($1.50.)

"The Merryweathers," by Laura E. Richards, is another book in the same vein, its title suggesting its gay, delightful spirit. There are such active, outdoor, athletic girls in it, and such frank, sturdy boys, and such healthy, genial older folk! It is good to linger in their company. For a setting to the happy-hearted group, we have the pines and lake and hills of Merryweather Camp. Canoeing, fishing, swimming, sailing and all sorts of indoor as well as outdoor games, furnish recreation, and the paragraphs devoted to talk make as lively reading as the passages of pure narrative, for the dialect is as real as spoken conversation, and was evidently written with genuine enjoyment by the author. Dana Estes & Co. are the publishers. ($1.25.)

Annie Fellows Johnston's Little Colonel stories have enjoyed a wide vogue since the first one was published nearly 10 years ago. There are now six Little Colonel books, and it is quite appropriate that the first of them should be reprinted in dainty holiday dress by L. C. Page & Co., and illustrated in colors by Harold Matthews Brett. ($1.25.) The Little Colonel's lessons of helpfulness and happiness will be appreciated no less because of this splendid raiment. There is also a new Little Colonel book for this year, entitled "The Little Colonel in Arizona." In this volume the dainty and winsome little Kentucky lass experiences the camp and outdoor life of the Arizona plains. ($1.50.)

"Nathalie's Sister," by Anna Chapin Ray, is a sequel to "Ursula's Freshman" and the last of the "Teddy" stories. The McAlister family's records are brought to a close in this volume, which has all the interest of the preceding ones, with a charming little romance interwoven. Miss Ray's book reminds one of Louisa Alcott's vein. It is well illustrated by Alice Barber Stephens, and published by Little, Brown & Co. ($1.50.)

"Lou," by Harriet A. Cheever, is not quite so grown-up; the heroine, as good Mrs. Stemway says in the story, was "just a hearty, healthy little dear that is glad to accommodate." She ran away from a Home for Children where she had not received the kindest treatment, but was fortunate enough to make friends, to whom she so endeared herself that they took her with them wherever they went, even on voyages around the world. Toward the end Lou finds her mother, whom she had long thought to be dead. Dana Estes & Co. are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"The Laurel Token," by Annie M. Barnes, is a story of the Yamassee uprising in colonial times. The heroine is a beautiful girl, left an orphan, as is supposed, in Barbadoes, who goes to live with her uncle, a leading man in the flourishing "Goose Creek" colony, in the year of the Indian uprising, 1714. Charles and Philip, cousins of the heroine, and lads just nearing manhood, are jealous of her, fearing she will supplant them in the love of their mother. How she overcomes this rude prejudice by her unexpected abilities and her noble conduct in times of trial forms the main part of this story. It is published by Lee & Shepard. ($1.25.)

Young Heroines Are Plenty.

"Helen Grant's Friends," by Amanda M. Douglas, although a complete story in itself, continues the life of the heroine from "Helen Grant's School Days." Helen is brought to face new problems caused by the death of her benefactress, who has enabled her to begin an education, and the reappearance of her father, a scholarly, impractical man, who had been conducting researches in Nineveh, and cares only for ancient history, not seeing the sacrifice he imposes upon Helen by requiring her to give up the studies of her choice and help him. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"An Honor Girl," by Evelyn Raymond, is a clever and interesting story of a girl who, as "honor girl" of her class at high school, wins a scholarship that would take her through Wellesley. Family reverses bring it home to her that duty demands that she devote herself to helping her parents and wayward brother. She surrenders her prize to a jealous rival, and with brave humor says that she had matriculated in the College of Life, the hard features of which she happily styles the "Faculty," with "Prof. Poverty" prominent among them, aided by "Prof. Cheerfulness." Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"The Taming of Betty," by Cally Ryland, tells of a girl as bright as can be, but a thorough romp, who, being thought old enough to leave the care of the governess and attend a regular school, so rebels at the idea as to make her autocratic father send her to a boarding school far away from her home in Richmond. The change is very hard for Betty, and her ingenuity in devising mischief, in the hope that she may be sent home to her beloved "Grandmamma," is irresistibly amusing. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.)

"The Children on the Top Floor," by Nina Rhoades, brings little Winifred Hamilton back again, living in the second of the four stories of a New York apartment house. On the top floor are two children, Betty, a little older than Winifred, who is now 10, and Jack, a brave little cripple, who is a year younger. The widowed mother, proud and distant until won over by the kindness of good friends, shows that something different from poverty and loneliness has been familiar to her. In the end comes a glad reunion, and also other good fortune for crippled Jack; and Winifred's kind little heart has once more indirectly caused great happiness to many others. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"The Making of Meenie," by Edith L. Gilbert, brings in again the Frolicsome Four, although the interest centers about "Meenie," a waif whom a kind neighbor of the mother of the "Four" has befriended. An older girl from Canada, who comes as a visitor, attended by a noble dog that figures prominently in the story, by tact and kindness works a transformation in Meenie. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"Dorothy Dainty at School," by Amy Brooks, has a very entertaining time; in fact, the only real cloud on Dorothy's happiness is the absence of her little friend, Nancy Ferris, who had lived with Mrs. Grayson, and whom the previous volume showed kidnaped and compelled to dance in a variety theater. How Nancy's brave efforts to secure a rescue by her kind friends are at last rewarded is an interesting part of the story. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"Randy's Good Times," also by Amy Brooks, tells of a loving and lovable girl, ready to enjoy all the pleasures offered, equally eager to give pleasure to others. She organizes the "Holiday Club," which holds many jolly meetings, at which gaiety reigns while nimble fingers make countless pretty gifts. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.00.)

Dog Stories and Nature Books.

"Bumper and Baby John," by Anna Chapin Ray, is a humorous tale of the haps and mishaps of the homeliest, yet most dependable dog in the world, and a delightful red-haired and freckled child, whose united ages did not exceed seven years. Apart from the humor of the book, it is alive with human interest, and there is pathos as well. It is published by the Henry Altemus Company. (50 cents.)

"Teddy and Towser," by Seward D. Lisle, is still another dog story. There is a shipwreck which sends the man, the boy and the dog ashore in a section of the wild west, with which they are not acquainted. Teddy pulls an Indian out of a ditch and earns his friendship, and "Pogwo" afterward saves the party from hostile Indians. Henry T. Coates & Co. are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"The Best of Friends," by Will Allen Dromgoole, has also a dog hero. It is a capital story, quite different from the general run, with a pathetic close. L. C. Page & Co. are the publishers. (50 cents.)

"Tree Stories," by Lenore E. Mulets, is another volume in the series of Phyllis' Field Friends. Willows, Maples, Poplars, Aspens, Lindens, Oaks, Walnuts, Evergreens and various other forest folk are among Phyllis' acquaintances and tell her many wonderful things about themselves. L. C. Page & Co. are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"The Rock Frog," by Harriet A. Cheever, is a story of a growing frog who became tightly wedged into a crevice in a big rock, and wriggle and twist as he might, couldn't extricate himself; then as he grew bigger he became too fat to get out; so there he had to spend his life, until his prison was broken open one day during a heavy storm, and he was free at last. Dana Estes & Co. are the publishers. (50 cents.)

"The Story of a Mission Indian," by Kathryn Wallace, is a book that little Catholic children will read with pleasure, for it tells how the Franciscan fathers built mission churches in the far southwest to teach the red man the story of salvation. Little Pedro, the hero of the tale, is pious enough to shame many white boys. Richard G. Badger is the publisher. ($1.00.)

"That Sweet Story of Old," by Margaret E. Sangster, is a life of Christ written for children. It embraces all the facts given in the four gospels, and is attractively illustrated. Mrs. Sangster is very well qualified to write such a work, and has told the old story so that it reads like new. It is published by the Fleming H. Revell Company. ($1.25.)

"Baby Bible Stories," by Gertrude Smith, is an attempt to put the best known biblical incidents into a form that will be appreciated by the youngest readers. It is a difficult task, and Miss Smith has done it with good taste, lacking which such books are apt to provoke irreverence among grown-up folks rather than promote piety among little ones.

Books of Adventure for Boys.

Books of adventure for boys are as numerous as ever, and one of the best is "His Majesty's Sloop Diamond Rock," by H. S. Huntington. The hero is a midshipman, and most of the characters are naval men. Diamond Rock is a real rock in the ocean, off the coast of Martinique. In 1802-03 the English fleet, under Commodore Hood, was blockading this French island; and, as an adjunct to the blockade, Hood seized and fortified the rock, which was put in commission as a sloop of war; the cannon and stores were drawn up 600 feet on a cable. These incidents have been worked out from original sources, but they form only the framework for descriptions of the life and characters of this absorbing story. It is published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. ($1.50.)

"The Mysterious Beacon Light," by George E. Walsh, tells the adventures of four boys in Labrador. The boys make a trip to an iceberg, and then find themselves seabound on the berg. After reaching shore they find a band of wreckers, escape from them, destroy the beacon light they have made, and save a ship. Then they explore a mysterious cave, at the end of which they find a lost vessel on a rock, a mass of ice. The boys chop away the ice, sail the vessel out, meet their own ship, the wreckers are captured, the boys get salvage for their find and everyone is happy. Little, Brown & Co. are the publishers. ($1.50.)

"Isle of Black Fire," by Howard R. Garis, a promising new writer for boys, shows the up-to-dateness of the juvenile author. It is a story of the search for an island on which a shipwrecked sailor has declared there lives a race of fire-worshipers whose temple contains an enormous lump of radium. The party of searchers, composed of mining engineers, the captain of the vessel, the crew and three boys, the heroes, locate the island, have experiences with strange animals, and a desperate fight with the natives, who attack the ship. The book is published by the J. B. Lippincott Company. ($1.00.)

"The White Crystals," also by Howard R. Garis, is a lively tale, full of out-of-door atmosphere and farm life experiences. Roger Anderson, a city boy, is sent for his health to his uncle's farm. The plot turns on the discovery of salt upon the farm by some rascally surveyors, who try to obtain possession of the land before their secret is known. Little, Brown & Co. are the publishers. ($1.50.)

"Up the Forked River," by Seward D. Lisle, is a romance of adventures in South America, with the usual complement of American boys achieving high heroic deeds amid singing

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bullets and cowering sombrereed Spaniards. Mr. Lisle is so patriotic that he writes the Monroe doctrine with all capitals. Henry T. Coates & Co. are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"Two Young Inventors," by Alvah Milton Kerr, is a tale of mystery, mechanism and getting on in the world that will be a favorite. Two youths, both born inventors, make each other's acquaintance as the result of misfortunes attending a Minnesota cyclone. Their efforts to perfect a flying boat that shall not only skim the water but rise into the air result in securing a mechanical education, and finally, after an exciting adventure, in which they render important service to the North Shore railroad, they are rewarded by positions in the engineering department. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"Larry the Wanderer," by Edward Stratemeyer, is a plain tale of every-day life; its hero a youth who has been knocked around from pillar to post for a number of years. He is a bit rough in his ways, but beneath this rude exterior is a heart of gold. By the merest accident he becomes a boat-boy and earns his living by catching fish. The unraveling of the curious mystery which surrounds the lad's identity makes reading that no young folks will care to miss. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"Loyalty Island," by Marian W. Wildman, is a pretty little tale of amateur Crusoes. A party of little folk, taking a trip to grandmother's, allow their boat to drift away, and are prisoners on a little island over night. There is a little hut to sleep in, and they catch a big bass for dinner. Jasper, the dog, is sent off with a note in a bottle around his neck to notify the people at home. L. C. Page & Co. are the publishers. (50 cents.)

"The Quilt That Jack Built," by Annie Fellows Johnston, is a pretty little story of a boy's labor of love. The same volume contains another tale, "How He Won the Bicycle." It is published by L. C. Page & Co. (50 cents.)

True History and Historical Fiction.

"Famous Battles of the Nineteenth Century," by Archibald Forbes, G. A. Henty, and other well known writers, describes the fighting of British troops with savages in Burma, the breaking of Spanish power in South America, the Texan war for independence, the engagements and sieges of our Mexican war, the Crimean war and the Sepoy mutiny, in a style that will captivate all boys that have not been corrupted by The Hague peace conference. The volume is published by the A. Wessels Company. ($1.25.)

"Stories of Brave Old Times," by Helen M. Cleveland, gives some pen pictures of scenes which took place during or just before the American revolution. It is real history made more interesting than fiction by the fresh, vigorous and dramatic style of the narrator. Ethan Allan, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Francis Marion, John Hancock, Nathan Hale, Patrick Henry and other heroes of the brave old times are brought before the reader in dramatic style. Few other books will set the cost of freedom so clearly before the young. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"Four American Indians," by Edson L. Whitney and Frances M. Perry, is a really admirable little book of historical biography. The four Indians are King Philip, Pontiac, Tecumseh and Osceola, and boys will find this real history with its many splendid illustrations far more fascinating than tawdry dime novels. The American Book Company publishes this book. (50 cents.)

"Five Little Strangers," by Julia Augusta Schwartz, tells how these strangers—the little red child, the little white child, the little black child, the little yellow child and the little brown child—came to live in America. The book, which is ethnology for youngest readers, is published in the Eclectic reading series by the American Book Company. (40 cents.)

"The Cromwell of Virginia," by Edward S. Ellis, is a historical tale that will make boys acquainted with Nathaniel Bacon, the young rebel who made British tyrants wince a full hundred years before our revolution. It is a stirring story of colonial days in Virginia. Henry T. Coates & Co. are the publishers. ($1.00.)

"Nelson's Yankee Boy," by F. H. Costello, is a book of adventure by the author of "Under the Rattlesnake Flag." The Yankee boy is impressed by the British, and eventually boards Nelson's flagship, becoming his cabin-boy, being present at Trafalgar and witnessing the death of the great admiral. After enduring shipwreck, he returns to America, and fights under the stars and stripes in the war of 1812. Henry Holt & Co. are the publishers. ($1.50.)

"Chuggins," by W. Irving Hancock, is a story of the Cuban war. The young hero helps in the capture of Santiago, the frontispiece representing him in animated conversation with a Rough Rider, probably intended to resemble Theodore Roosevelt. It is a good story, not overdone, and is published by the Henry Altemus Company. (50 cents.)

Stories of School Life.

Stories of school life, football atmosphere preferred, are having much vogue, and "Baby Elton, Quarterback," is a capital one. The young hero is an appealing type of the college athlete; and though occasionally he meets defeat he usually wins out at the critical moment. Baby Elton plays football well, baseball better, and breaks the record for the mile run. He starts off by capturing the coveted trophy of the sophomore-freshman cane rush, and later rescues a stalwart senior from drowning. The Century Company is the publisher. ($1.25.)

"Jack Tenfield's Star," by Martha James, is the story of a bright Boston boy, who, while preparing for college, is brought to face the fact that his father had really left no estate. Two men are one day discussing Jack, and one says that he will make his mark. To this the other assents, provided the boy's star is lucky. The other declares that to be nonsense, and that each is his own star. That Jack is capable of being his "own star" well expresses the thought of the book. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

"Making the Nine," by A. T. Dudley, is obviously a baseball story of college life. The story is lively and worth telling, and the life presented is that of a real school, interesting, diversified and full of striking incidents, while the characters are true types of American boyhood and youth. The athletics are technically correct, abounding in helpful suggestions, and the moral tone is high and set by action rather than preaching. Lee & Shepard are the publishers. ($1.25.)

Puzzles and Rhymes.

"Tangledom," by Charles Nillor Ballard, is a volume of charades that will keep clever heads busy. Riddles have always been in great favor with the young, and Mr. Ballard's ingenious tangles in rhyme will furnish amusement for many evenings and will prove educational as well. De Wolfe, Fiske & Co. are the publishers. (75 cents.)

"Captain Kidd and Other Charades," by Florence L. Sahler, is another volume of clever rhymed enigmas. A preface tells some amusing things from the history of riddles; for instance, that the poet Homer collapsed because he could not solve a conundrum put by some fishermen, and never revived. Young folks need not fear to collapse over Miss Sahler's charades, but will be kept guessing quite a while. Robert Grier Cooke is the publisher of this pretty volume. ($1.00.)

"Freckles and Tan," by Rowland C. Bowman, is a book of humorous verse that will tickle the young folks' fancy. Such titles as "Going Visiting With Ma," "An Essay on the June Bug," and "Waiting for the Second Table," will convey a hint of Mr. Bowman's muse. Rand, McNally & Co. are the publishers. (50 cents.)

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Lincoln's Pen Lost Votes.

By COL. A. K. McCLURE.

AT THE time the draft was made in October, 1862, there was a decidedly improved loyal sentiment inspired in Pennsylvania, notwithstanding the disastrous defeat the Republican party suffered at the October election, when the entire Democratic state ticket was elected, with a majority of Democrats in the congressional delegation.

The effect of the Altoona conference and the aggressive attitude assumed by the loyal governors of the north, demanding that our army should be made overwhelming in numbers, inspired confidence that military success would be achieved and the overthrow of the rebellion accomplished at an early day.

The response of the Pennsylvania conscripts was generally very prompt, and Camp Curtin soon became thronged with an unorganized conscript mob. I was exceedingly anxious to get the men into the service because I expected my labors to cease as soon as they were mustered, but the military officers at Harrisburg who had charge of the mustering seemed to be much more interested in the contractors who supplied the camp than in speedily reinforcing the army, and when a thousand or more men were coming into camp each day the mustering officer organized two companies a day. I called upon him and made an earnest appeal for him to send off at least a regiment a day, as I would be able to supply him with that number of men for two weeks or more, but he treated my appeal not only with indifference but rather with contempt, and continued to muster but two companies a day. The result was that in a few days I had a mob of five or six thousand soldiers in camp without organization, restless and boisterous, and I telegraphed Secretary Stanton, urging him to send me a mustering officer.

A new officer appeared on the following day and mustered a regiment himself, but the next morning he was relieved from duty and ordered elsewhere, by what authority I never knew, and the mustering was again reduced to two companies a day.

That process would have kept from five to ten thousand troops in camp for six weeks or two months, and as they were presumably in my immediate custody until they were mustered into the United States service, and as the government greatly needed the troops at the front, I decided to make a direct appeal to President Lincoln to have them promptly mustered.

My Interview With Lincoln.

I telegraphed the president that I would call upon him in Washington early the next morning, and met him according to appointment. I told him that I had given more than two months of labor, often day and night and never less than 15 hours out of the 24, without compensation to make the draft successful in Pennsylvania and furnish troops to the government; that there were then from 5,000 to 6,000 troops in camp, and that they were accumulating much more rapidly than they were being mustered. I assured him that a regiment a day could be forwarded to the army from Harrisburg for two weeks or more; that if he would order a mustering officer to hasten their organization and forward them to the front I would gladly remain until the work was completed, but that if the mustering could not be hastened I would abandon the work at once and go home.

Lincoln was much distressed at the Harrisburg situation. He knew that political influences had chosen the military officers assigned to duty at Harrisburg, as was common elsewhere throughout the state, and he knew that the summary removal of an officer would probably cause offense in a quarter that might later do him much harm. He said that the troops must be forwarded at once, and he would have it done, but he said he thought he had a better way of doing it than to remove any of the Harrisburg officers. I told him it mattered not how it was accomplished so that the work could be completed, the government get the troops and I relieved of further exacting and profitless labors. Without making any explanation he rang the bell and ordered his messenger to summon the adjutant general of the army. In a few minutes Adjutant General Thomas appeared, and the president asked him what was the rank of the senior officer on duty at Harrisburg. Adjutant General Thomas replied that he was a captain. The president then instructed the adjutant general to bring him at once a commission for me as assistant adjutant general of the United States volunteers with the rank of major, and the adjutant general took his leave.

The Discomfiture of a Commandant.

As soon as he had left the room I said to the president that I could not consent to enter the military service as I was not used to military orders, and could not comply with military regulations without serious inconvenience to myself. To which he replied that I need not worry about that as he would have an order issued assigning me to report to Gov. Curtin, that the commission would make me the ranking officer and commandant at Harrisburg, and he supposed that being under Gov. Curtin's orders there would be no greater restraint in the military service than if I were not in it. He assured me also that no order would be issued assigning me to duty elsewhere, and that as soon as my work was completed at Harrisburg and I desired to retire from the service my resignation should be forwarded to him, and it would be promptly accepted. He insisted that I should continue to hold the commission after the troops were mustered until all the many complicated accounts relating to the draft could be settled between the state and the national government. He suggested that I should, on my return to Harrisburg, call upon the commandant there to muster me into the service, and he certainly believed that there would be no difficulty about having troops mustered thereafter.

I returned to Harrisburg the same evening, and the next morning requested the commandant to call at my office in the capitol. He naturally supposed that I had taken the liberty to send for him to importune him further as to the mustering of the troops, and he came into the office in the most supercilious way and asked to know why I had sent for him. I handed him my commission requesting him to muster me into the military service, and also handed him the order assigning me to duty at Harrisburg. His arrogant manner was at once transformed into pitiable obsequiousness, and he mustered me into the service.

After being mustered, I said to him in the mildest way I could command that I knew nothing about military regulations and did not expect to interfere with him in any of the routine duties, but that there must be a regiment of troops mustered and forwarded to the army each day until Camp Curtin was empty. I told him that so far as I was concerned I had no desire to be known as the military commandant of the place, that I would wear no uniform or attempt in any way to exploit myself as a military officer, and, indeed, very few of those connected with public affairs in Harrisburg ever knew that I was the commanding officer at the capital.

I never had occasion to summon the captain for either suggestion or orders, and I do not recall that I ever had further conference with him. His duties outside of mustering were never interfered with, and the people of Harrisburg generally never knew that there was a change in the military commandant.

Another Complicated and Difficult Task.

After the troops were all mustered and the regiments sent to the front I found that I had on hand another very complicated and difficult task—that of gathering in, revising and tabulating the various accounts arising from the draft. It required more than a month of energetic effort to get the claims in any sort of shape, as they embraced the pay of many hundreds of enumerators who had enrolled the districts of the state, and the many different expenses incurred in each county in making the draft, and after they were gotten into shape it required several months to get them advanced in Washington to the point of settlement.

The national departments were all overworked; the treasury was in a condition that required the secretary to pay as sparingly as possible, and final settlement was naturally delayed as long as possible.

After everything had been done that could be done beyond simply importuning the government to make payment, I resigned the office of assistant adjutant general, leaving to the proper state authorities the duty of finishing the work of obtaining money from the government.

My commission was issued October. 27, 1862, but not dated until September 5, and my resignation was accepted and I was discharged from the service February 27, 1863.

The political situation became very unpromising in 1862, not only because of the failure to prosecute the war successfully, but also because of the emancipation proclamation, for which the more conservative element of the Republican party in the state was not prepared.

The preliminary proclamation was issued on September 22, 1862, and from that day those who had intelligent understanding of the general political conditions had little hope of carrying any of the debatable northern states at the fall election of that year.

The Republicans of New England and of the far west were fully up to the high-water anti-slavery mark and ready to sustain the destruction of slavery by any practicable method.

While earnestly anti-slavery in conviction, I was very positive in opposition to the emancipation proclamation, and it was the only question that I very earnestly disputed with the president.

It was an open secret for some months before the proclamation was issued that an emancipation policy in some form was inevitable, and I was thoroughly convinced that the conservative Republican sentiment of the great middle states would not sustain it. I could not see how it was possible for the administration to prosecute the war with the great middle states against it, and in all of my visits to the president when opportunity presented I took occasion to admonish him as to the peril of such a movement.

Risks of the Emancipation Proclamation.

I looked at the greatest of all the questions ever presented to the ruler of the republic from the mere standpoint of political expediency, and I predicted that an emancipation proclamation would defeat the administration in all the great states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Lincoln did not dispute the assumption that political disaster was possible, and he was most carefully reticent as to any indication of his purpose.

I urged him to issue a military order as the constitutional commander of the armies of the union, declaring that every slave brought within the union lines should be forever free, and that slavery should be abolished in every rebellious state when brought within the control of our military authority.

I stated, what was indisputable, that the mere proclamation would not liberate a single slave, and that only by the success of the army could the proclamation be made effective. Lincoln had given the subject most anxious thought, but withheld his purpose from all, even the members of his cabinet, until he had decided to act.

The political disaster that I predicted was more than fulfilled. New York and New Jersey elected Democratic governors, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois were carried by the Democrats, and all of these great middle states sent Democratic delegations to congress, but the south was excluded from representation and New England and the far west saved the house to the administration, and the emancipation proclamation, the sublimest act of any American ruler, was sustained by congress, and finally heartily sustained by the people of the north.

Lincoln in his careful consideration of the subject admitted the force of political expediency that forbade an emancipation proclamation, but he realized the higher and holier duties of his position, and within a year thereafter I had learned how grandly he had faced all the arguments of expediency to give to human freedom its supreme achievement in the history of the nations.

Shadow of Defeat Impending.

But for the extraordinary efforts made by the concerted action of the governors of the north, resulting from the Altoona conference, and the inspiration given to the loyal cause by the retreat of Lee from Antietam, Pennsylvania would have voted largely Democratic.

The Union state convention met in Pennsylvania long before the emancipation proclamation was issued, but it was generally believed that the issue must be met in that campaign. I attended the convention at Harrisburg as a delegate. It was an unusually able and thoroughly representative body, but all were shadowed with the cloud of defeat. The failure of the army, the enforcement of the draft, that then made even the most loyal of our people shudder, as it indicated a want of willingness on the part of the people to sustain the war, were important factors in aid of the Democratic party. Thomas E. Cochran, who was about closing a term as auditor general and who was conspicuously fitted for the position alike in integrity and qualifications, was unanimously nominated for re-election, and Henry Souther of Elk county, who was then serving as surveyor general by appointment, was chosen without opposition as the candidate for that office. Both were men of ripe experience in state affairs, having served with conspicuous credit in the state senate, and the ticket had all the strength that individual merit could give it. The platform of the canvention heartily sustained the administration and the vigorous prosecution of the war.

The Democrats nominated Isaac Sleuker of Union for auditor general, who had also served in the senate some years before, and James P. Barr, editor of the Pittsburgh Post and one of the ablest of the Democratic leaders in Pennsylvania, for surveyor general.

The platform of the Democratic party was cautiously drawn to commend itself to the Republicans who were doubting or despairing in regard to the war, but it proclaimed absolute devotion to the union of the states.

The Republicans thus started in the campaign fearfully handicapped at an election where a whole delegation to congress was to be chosen and the legislature then elected was to name a United States senator.

After the Altoona conference there was some indication of the political tide turning in favor of the Republicans, but it was not strong enough to enable them to hold power in the state, and the Democratic state ticket was elected by about 4,000 majority.

The congressional delegation elected in 1860 contained 17 Republicans, exclusive of Hendrick B. Wright of Luzerne and Joseph Bailey of Perry, who were war Democrats, making 19 of the 25 earnest supporters of the war, but the new delegation elected in 1862 contained 11 Republicans and 13 Democrats.

Galusha A. Grow, speaker of the first war congress, and who had been in congress for ten years, was defeated by Charles Dennis. He was in a new district composed of Susquehanna and Luzerne instead of his own district of Susquehanna, Bradford and Wyoming, and he was overwhelmed by the Democratic vote of Luzerne county.

The Democratic Triumph.

Of the congressmen elected by the Democrats, Joseph Bailey of Perry was an out-and-out war Democrat, and James T. Hale of Center was an independent and thoroughly loyal Republicans, making the delegation practically about even on the issue of supporting the administration.

The Democrats concentrated their efforts to a great extent upon the control of the legislature, and the Republicans left no available means unemployed to save the house. They had the assured control of the senate as the sweeping Republican majorities of several years before had left the senate nearly two-thirds Republican, but the Democrats were inspired by the confidence of victory, and their organization was then very compact and under the most skillful leadership. Every debatable legislative district was exhaustively contested by both parties, and the Republicans were greatly humiliated when the final returns presented a Democratic majority of one on joint ballot.

The senate stood 21 Republicans to 12 Democrats, but the house had 55 Democrats to 45 Republicans, giving the Democrats the control of the house by 10 majority and the United States senatorship by a single vote.

When the smoke of the battle cleared away and it was ascertained that the Republicans held control of the national house of representatives, notwithstanding the defection in the great middle states, the Republicans were very much encouraged for future battles, and the close of the year 1862 found our people and state in very much better condition to support the war, after having gone through many months of sore depression often verging on despair.

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LITTLE STORIES OF THE BIG CITY

THE COP AND THE ANTHEM

By O. HENRY.

ON his bench in Madison square Soapy moved uneasily. When wild geese honk high of nights, and when women without sealskin coats grow kind to their husbands, and when Soapy moves uneasily on his bench in the park, you may know that winter is near at hand.

A dead leaf fell in Soapy's lap. That was Jack Frost's card. Jack is kind to the regular denizens of Madison square, and gives fair warning of his annual call. At the corners of four streets he hands his pasteboard to the North Wind, footman of the mansion of All Outdoors, so that the inhabitants thereof may make ready.

Soapy's mind became cognizant of the fact that the time had come for him to resolve himself into a singular committee of ways and means to provide against the coming rigor. And therefore he moved uneasily on his bench.

The hibernatorial ambitions of Soapy were not of the highest. In them there were no considerations of Mediterranean cruises, of soporific southern skies or drifting in the Vesuvian bay. Three months on the island was what his soul craved. Three months of assured board and bed and congenial company, safe from Boreas and bluecoats, seemed to Soapy the essence of things desirable.

For years the hospitable Blackwell's had been his winter quarters. Just as his more fortunate fellow New Yorkers had bought their tickets to Palm Beach and the Riviera each winter, so had Soapy made his humbler arrangements for his annual hegira to the island. And now the time was come. On the night before three Sabbath newspapers, distributed beneath his coat, about his ankles and over his lap, had failed to repulse the cold as he slept on his bench near the spurting fountain in the ancient square. So the island loomed big and timely in Soapy's mind. He scorned the provisions made in the name of charity for the city's dependents. In Soapy's opinion the law was more benign than philanthropy. There was an endless round of institutions, municipal and eleemosynary, on which he might set out and receive lodging and food accordant with the simple life. But to one of Soapy's proud spirit the gifts of charity are encumbered. If not in coin you must pay in humiliation of spirit for every benefit received at the hands of philanthropy. As Caesar had his Brutus, every bed of charity must have its toll of a bath, every loaf of bread its compensation of a private and personal inquisition. Wherefore it is better to be a guest of the law, which, though conducted by rules, does not meddle unduly with a gentleman's private affairs.

Soapy, having decided to go to the island, at once set about accomplishing his desire. There were many easy ways of doing this. The pleasantest was to dine luxuriously at some expensive restaurant; and then, after declaring insolvency, be handed over quietly and without uproar to a policeman. An accommodating magistrate would do the rest.

Soapy left his bench and strolled out of the square and across the level sea of asphalt, where Broadway and Fifth avenue flow together. Up Broadway he turned, and halted at a glittering cafe, where are gathered together nightly the choicest products of the grape, the silkworm and the protoplasm.

Soapy had confidence in himself from the lowest button of his vest upward. He was shaven, and his coat was decent and his neat black, ready-tied four-in-hand had been presented to him by a lady missionary on Thanksgiving day. If he could reach a table in the restaurant unsuspected, success would be his. The portion of him that would show above the table would raise no doubt in the waiter's mind. A roasted mallard duck, thought Soapy, would be about the thing—with a bottle of Chablis, and then Camembert, a demi-tasse and a cigar. One dollar for the cigar would be enough. The total would not be so high as to call forth any supreme manifestation of revenge from the cafe management; and yet the meal would leave him filled and happy for the journey to his winter refuge.

But as Soapy set foot inside the restaurant door the head waiter's eye fell upon his frayed trousers and decadent shoes. Strong and ready hands turned him about and conveyed him in silence and haste to the sidewalk and averted the ignoble fate of the menaced mallard.

Soapy turned off Broadway. It seemed that his route to the coveted island was not to be an epicurean one. Some other way of entering limbo must be thought of.

At a corner of Sixth avenue electric lights and cunningly displayed wares behind plate glass made a shop window conspicuous. Soapy took up a cobblestone and dashed it through the glass. People came running around the corner, a policeman in the lead. Soapy stood still, with his hands in his pockets, and smiled at the sight of brass buttons.

"Where's the man that done that?" inquired the officer, excitedly.

"Don't you figure out that I might have had something to do with it?" said Soapy, not without sarcasm, but friendlily, as one greets good fortune.

The policeman's mind refused to accept Soapy even as a clue. Men who smash windows do not remain to parley with the law's minions. They take to their heels.

The policeman saw a man half way down the block running to catch a car. With drawn club he joined in the pursuit. Soapy, with disgust in his heart, loafed along, twice unsuccessful.

On the opposite side of the street was a restaurant of no great pretensions. It catered to large appetites and modest purses. Its crockery and atmosphere were thick; its soup and napery thin. Into this place Soapy took his accusive shoes and tell-tale trousers without challenge. At a table he sat and consumed beefsteak, flapjacks, doughnuts and pie. And then to the waiter he betrayed the fact that the minutest coin and himself were strangers.

"Now get busy and call a cop," said Soapy. "And don't keep a gentleman waiting."

"No cop for youse," said the waiter, with a voice like butter cakes and an eye like the cherry in a Manhattan. "Hey, Con."

Neatly upon his left ear on the callous pavement two waiters pitched Soapy. He arose, joint by joint, as a carpenter's rule opens, and beat the dust from his clothes. Arrest seemed but a rosy dream, the island seemed very far away. A policeman who stood before a drug store two doors away laughed and walked down the street.

Five blocks Soapy traveled before his courage permitted him to woo capture again. This time the opportunity presented what he fatuously termed to himself a "cinch." A young woman of a modest and pleasing guise was standing before a show window gazing with sprightly interest at its display of shaving mugs and inkstands. Ten yards from the window a large policeman of severe demeanor leaned against a water plug.

It was Soapy's design to assume the role of the despicable and execrated "masher." The refined and elegant appearance of his victim and the contiguity of the conscientious cop encouraged him to believe that he would soon feel the pleasant official clutch upon his arm that would insure his winter quarters on the right little, tight little isle.

Soapy straightened the lady missionary's ready-made tie, dragged his shrinking cuffs into the open, set his hat at a killing cant and sidled toward the young woman. He made eyes at her, was taken with sudden coughs and "hems," smiled, smirked and went brazenly through the impudent and contemptible litany of the "masher." With half an eye Soapy saw that the policeman was watching him fixedly. The young woman moved away a few steps, and again bestowed her absorbed attention upon the shaving mugs. Soapy followed, boldly stepped to her side, raised his hat and said:

"Ah, there, Bedalia! Don't you want to come and play in my yard?"

"My umbrella," he said, sternly.

"Oh, is it?" sneered Soapy, adding insult to petit larceny. "Well, why don't you call a cop. Your umbrella! Why don't you call a cop? There stands one on the corner."

The umbrella owner slowed his steps. Soapy did likewise, with a presentiment that luck would again run against him. The policeman looked at the two curiously.

"Of course," said the umbrella man—"that is—well, you know how these mistakes occur—I—if it's your umbrella I hope you'll excuse me—I picked it up this morning in a restaurant—if you recognize it as yours, why—I hope you'll—"

"Of course it's mine," said Soapy, viciously.

The ex-umbrella man retreated. The policeman hurried to assist a tall blonde in an opera cloak across the street in front of a street car that was approaching two blocks away.

Soapy walked eastward through a street damaged by improvements. He hurled the umbrella wrathfully into an excavation. He muttered against the men who wear helmets and carry clubs. Because he wanted to fall into their clutches, they seemed to regard him as a king, who could do no wrong.

At length Soapy reached one of the avenues to the east where the glitter and turmoil was but faint. He set his face down this toward Madison square, for the homing instinct survives even when the home is a park bench.

But on an unusually quiet corner Soapy came to a standstill. Here was an old church, quaint and rambling and gabled. Through one violet-stained window a soft light glowed, where, no doubt, the organist loitered over the keys, making sure of his mastery of the coming Sabbath's anthem. For there drifted out to Soapy's ears sweet music that caught and held him transfixed against the convolutions of the iron fence.

The moon was above, lustrous and serene; vehicles and pedestrians were few; sparrows twittered sleepily in the eaves—for a little while the scene might have been a country churchyard. And the anthem that the organist played cemented Soapy to the iron fence, for he had known it well in the days when his life contained such things as mothers and roses and ambitions and friends and immaculate thoughts and collars.

The conjunction of Soapy's receptive state of mind and the influences about the old church wrought a sudden and wonderful change in his soul. He viewed with swift horror the pit into which he had tumbled, the degraded days, unworthy desires, dead hopes, wrecked faculties and base motives that made up his existence.

And also in a moment his heart responded thrillingly to his novel mood. An instantaneous and strong impulse moved him to battle with his desperate fate. He would pull himself out of the mire; he would conquer the evil that had taken possession of him. There was time; he was comparatively young yet; he would resurrect his old eager ambitions and pursue them without faltering. Those solemn but sweet organ notes had set up a revolution in him. Tomorrow he would go into the roaring downtown district and find work. A fur importer had once offered him a place as driver. He would find him tomorrow and ask for the position. He would be somebody in the world. He would—

Soapy felt a hand laid on his arm. He looked quickly around into the broad face of a policeman.

"What are you doin' here?" asked the officer.

"Nothin'," said Soapy.

"Come along," said the policeman.

"Three months on the island," said the magistrate in the police court the next morning.

Strong and Ready Hands Turned Him About and Conveyed Him in Silence and Haste to the Sidewalk.

Thomas Dixon, Jr., has completed his novel, "The Clansman," and turned over the manuscript to his publishers, Doubleday, Page & Company. This novel deals with the Ku Klux Klan in the stirring days of reconstruction.

MR. DOOLEY'S PHILOSOPHY.

ABOUT BANTING.

By FINLEY PETER DUNNE.

"Whin I see an ol' fool in a sweater sprintin' up th' street, I want to jine with th' little byes throwin' bricks at him."

"I SEE th' good woman goin' by here at a gallop today," said Mr. Dooley.

"She's thryin' to rajooce her weight," said Hennessy.

"What f'r?"

"I don't know. She looks all right," said Mr. Hennessy.

"Well," said Mr. Dooley, "'tis a sthrange thing. Near ivrybody I know is thryin' to rayjooce his weight. Why should a woman want to be thin onless she is thin? Th' idee iv female beauty that all gr-reat min fr'm Julius Caesar to mesilf has held, is much more like a bar'l than a clothes pole. Hogan tells me that Alexander's wife an' Caesar's missus was no light weights; Martha Washington was short but pleasantly dumpy an' Andhrew Jackson's good woman weighed two hundred an' smoked a pipe. Hogan says that all th' potes he knows was in love with not to say fat, but ample ladies. Th' potes thissilves was thin, but th' ladies was chubby. A pote whin he has wurruked all day at th' typewriter wants to rest his head on a shoulder that won't hurt. Mrs. Shakespeare was thin an' they quarreled. Th' lady that the Egyption pote Danty made a fool iv himself about was no skiliton. All th' pitchers iv beautiful women I've iver see had many curves an' sivral chins. Th' phottygraft iv Mary Queen iv Scots that I have in me room shows that she took on weight afther she had her dhress made. Th' collar looks to be chockin her.

"But nowadays 'tis th' fashion to thry to emaciate ye'ersilf. I et supper with Carney th' other day. It was th' will iv Hiven that Carney shud grow fat, but Carney has a will iv his own an' f'r tin years he's been thryin' to look like Sinitor Fairbanks whin his thrue model was Grover Cleveland. He used to scald himsilf ivry mornin' with a quart iv hot wather on gettin' up. That did him no good. Thin he thried takin' long walks. Th' long walk rayjooced him half a pound and gave him a thirst that made him take on four pounds iv boodweiser. Thin he rented a horse an' thried horseback ridin'. Th' horse liked his weight no more thin Carney did an' Carney gained tin pounds in th' hospital. He thried starvin' himsilf an' he lost two pounds an' his job f'r bein' cross to th' boss. Thin he raysumed his reg'lar meals an' made up his mind to cut out th' sugar. I see him at breakfast wan mornin'. Nature had been kind to Carney in th' matter iv appytite. I won't tell ye what he consumed. It's too soon afther supper an' th' room is close. But, annyhow, whin his wife had tottered in with th' last flap-jack an' fainted an' whin I begun to wondher whether it wud be safe to say, he hauled a little bottle fr'm his pocket an' took out a small pill. 'What's that?' says I. ''Tis what I take in place iv sugar,' says he. 'Sugar is fattenin' an' this rayjooces th' weight,' says he. 'An' ar-re ye goin' to match that poor little tablet against that breakfast?' says I. 'I am,' says he. 'Cow'rd,' says I.

"The latest thing that Carney has took up to make th' fight again' Nature is called Fletching. Did ye iver hear iv it? Well, they'se a lad be th' name iv Fletcher, who thinks so much iv his stomach that he won't use it an' he tells Carney that if he'll ate on'y wan or two mouthfuls at ivry meal an' thurly chew thim, he will ivinchooly be no more thin skin an' bones an' very handsome to look at. In four weeks a man who Fletches will lose forty pounds an' all his frinds. Th' idee is that ye mumble ye'er food f'r tin minyits with a watch in front iv ye. This night Carney was Fletching. It was a fine supper. Th' table groaned beneath all th' indilicacies iv th' season. We tucked our napkins undher our chins an' prepared f'r a jaynial avenin'. Not so Carney. He laid his gooid watch on th' table, took a mouthful iv mutton pie an' begun to Fletch. At first Hogan thought he was makin' faces at him, but I explained that he was crazy. I see by th' look in Carney's eye that he didn't like th' explanation, but we wint on with th' supper. Well, 'twas gloryous. 'Jawn, ye'er health. Pass th' beefsteak Malachi. Schwartzmeister, ol' boy, can't I help ye to th' part that wint over th' fence last? What's that story? Tell it over here where Carney can't hear. It might make him laugh an' hurt him with his frind Fletcher. No? What? Ye don't say? An' didn't Carney resist it? Haw, haw, haw! This eyesther sauce is th' best I iver see. Michael, this is like ol' times. Look at Schwartzmeister. He's Fletching too. No, be gorry, he's chokin'. I think Carney's watch has stopped. No wondher; he's lookin' at it. Haw, haw, haw, haw, haw. A good joke on Carney. Did ye iver see such a face? Carney, me buck, ye look like a kinetoscope. What is a face without a stomach? Carney, ye make me nervous. If that there idol don't stop f'r a minyit, I'll throw something at it. Carney, time's up. Ye win ye'er bet but 'twas a foolish wan. I thought ye were goin' to push Fletcher in a wheelbarrow.'

"I've known Jawn Carney, man an' boy, f'r forty year, but I niver knew ontil that minyit that he was a murdhrer at heart. Th' look he give us whin he snapped his watch was tur-rble; but th' look he give th' dinner was aven worse. He set there f'r two mortal hours miditatin' what form th' assassynations wud take an' Fletchin' each wan iv us in his mind. I walked home with him to see that he came to no harm. Near th' house he wint into a baker's shop an' bought four pies an' a bag iv doughnuts. 'I've promised to take thim home to me wife,' he says. 'I thought she was out iv town,' says I. 'She'll be back in a week,' says he; 'an' annyhow, Misther Dooley, I'll thank ye not to be pryin' into me domestic affairs,' he says.

"An' there ye ar-re. What's th' use iv goin' up again' th' laws iv Nature, says I. If Nature intinded ye to be a little roly-poly, a little roly-poly ye'll be. They ain't annything to do that ye ought to do that'll make ye thin an' keep ye thin. The' wan thing in th' wurruld that'll rayjooce ye surely is lack iv sleep an' who wants to lose his mind with his flesh. I'll guarantee with th' aid iv an alarm clock to make anny man a livin' skiliton in thirty days. A lady with a young baby won't niver get no chubbier nor th' gintleman, its father. Th' on'y ginooine antifat threatment is sickness, worry, throuble an' insomnya. Th' scales ain't anny judge iv beauty or health. To be beautiful is to be nachral. Ye have gr-reat nachral skinny beauty while my good looks is more buxum. Whin I see an ol' fool in a sweater an' two coats sprintin' up th' sthreet an' groanin' at ivry step I want to jine with th' little boys that ar-re throwin' bricks at him. If he takes off th' flesh that Nature has wasted on his ongrateful frame, his skin won't fit him. They'se nawthin' more heejous to look at thin a fat man that has rayjooced his weight. He looks as though he had bought his coverin' at auction. It bags undher th' eyes an don't fit in th' neck.

"A man is foolish that thries to be too kind to his stomach, annyhow. Fletcher's idee is that th' human stomach is a kind iv little Lord Fauntleroy. If ye give it much to do, it will pine away. But Dock Casey tells me 'tis a gr-reat, husky, good-natured pugilist that'll take on most annything that comes along. It will go to wurruk with grim resolution on a piece iv hard coal. It will get th' worst iv it, but what I mane is that it fears no foe an' doesn't dhraw th' color line. I wud put it in th' heavy middleweight class an' it ought to be kept there. It requires plenty iv exercise to be at its best an' if it doesn't get enough, it looses its power ontil a chocolate eclair might win against it. It mustn't be allowed to shirk its jooties. It shud be kept in thrainin', an', says Dock Casey, if its owner is a good matchmaker an' doesn't back it again opponents that ar-re out iv its class or too manny at wan time, it will still be doin' well whin th' brain is on'y fit f'r light exercise."

"D'ye expict to go on accumylatin' to th' end iv ye'er days?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"I do that," said Mr. Dooley. "I expict to make me frinds wurruk f'r me to th' last. They'll be no gaiety among th' pall bearers at me obsequies. They'll have no sinycure. Before they get through with me they'll know they've been to a funeral."

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Final Proof of a Lee Story.

Final proof of the story, long published and long denied, that Gen. Robert E. Lee was offered the command of the United States army at the beginning of the civil war, is presented in "Recollections and Letters of Gen. Robert E. Lee," by his son, Capt. Robert E. Lee, just published by Doubleday, Page & Co. In 1868 Gen. Lee wrote to Senator Reverdy Johnson in regard to a debate in the senate in which Senator Cameron had made certain statements. In this letter (which appears in the recollections for the first time) Gen. Lee says:

"I never intimated to anyone that I desired the command of the United States army; nor did I ever have a conversation with but one gentleman, Mr. Francis Preston Blair, on this subject, which was at his invitation, and as I understood at the instance of President Lincoln. After listening to his remarks I declined the offer he made me, to take command of the army that was to be brought into the field, stating as courteously as I could that, though opposed to secession and deprecating war, I could take no part in an invasion of the southern states."

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PLAYS AND PLAYERS

BY CHARLES M. BREGG

Gayety- Jane Waldorf

Nixon- Neva Aymar

Bijou- Baby Kiefe

INGREDIENTS for a Pittsburgh theatrical sensation: One of the syndicate managers from New York seated at dinner or breakfast in a local cafe, accompanied by a local manager or two, large, rotund New York manager preferred, shake the crowd up well and serve cold, very cold and silent, and you have a first class sensation. Results: Another new theater is to be built; David Belasco will fight a duel in Fifth avenue with Charles Frohman, while Harry Davis will act as referee and B. F. Keith will call time; the Bijou is going to change its policy and play Sir Henry Irving, while the Duquesne and Gayety are to be turned into feed stores in order to give the Alvin a chance to play vaudeville in opposition to the Star theater out in Lawrenceville.

Soberly, the theater is fast becoming a bargain counter football, the stage a scheme and the drama a catchpenny device to wheedle or force advantageous personal ends or to prevent some other fellow from sharing profits. Mind you, I do not say these things have actually happened, but in all the hue and cry about theatrical affairs no one of the agitated and agitating directors have anything to offer by way of improving the public's chance to get its money's worth or of lifting the influence and morale of the theater to a higher plane. It is "advantage, advantage, profit, profit" all the time, while the public in its confusion and perplexity, and sometimes disgust, must take what it gets or else take old Commodore Vanderbilt's advice.

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With all our fuss and feathers, the Pittsburgh public is not nearly so well provided with sensible theater diversion of the worthy kind as it was ten years ago. We have built new theaters and spent a lot of money in adorning them, but this miserable spirit of commercial advantage and managerial shuffling has literally squeezed the life and heart out of what is put on our stage. In actual diversity and character our amusements have not been broadened, though we have nearly doubled the number of our playhouses. The public is not interested in the personal fights of managers, no matter by what name they are known. The public, however, is growing thoroughly tired of the intimation made at every opportunity that managerial wit and industry are expending themselves in an effort to dislodge a rival, fight off legitimate competition or divide the spoils properly. I have no idea that the presence in Pittsburgh last week of a number of prominent managers meant what was intimated or declared, but the very fact that such guesses as were made concerning their business indicates a condition of the public mind on the theatrical subject that is unfortunate and disheartening for the legitimate growth and expansion of the stage. It is not the improvement and elevation of the tone and quality of our entertainment that these busy managers are after, and the public knows that to its sorrow; so the press representatives, reflecting the public's lack of confidence, hazard guesses that include only the schemes of the managers to promote their own financial safety and prevent the public from its proper share of competition. Why should there be excited effort to keep David Belasco, Mrs. Fiske and like dramatic entertainment out of Pittsburgh? If the syndicate managers love the public and want to please it, why do they not invite competition, the only means of really proving their oft-repeated assertion that they are giving us the best that the modern stage affords?

Will someone answer why?

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It is not a question of syndicate interests. If the syndicate does a good thing, and it has done good things, I am for praising it. But I am for the public interests first, and protest vigorously against this silly shilly-shallying that involves only the promoting of personal advantage or the forcible suppression of desirable competition. When theaters are closed because of lack of the right sort of entertainment or because they are bought off in the interests of some managerial profit, things are bad enough, heaven knows; but when these acknowledged failures and closings are made in the interests of a power that is using all its arrogant resources to deprive the people of other, and three times out of five better, entertainment, the situation is positively intolerable. Why should not managerial energy be directed toward securing the closed Avenue or one of the useless popular-priced houses for the exploitation of Mrs. Leslie Carter's art, or the splendid work of Dave Warfield or Henrietta Crosman's delicate comedy, if, as they say, the managers are simply dying to give their dear public, that they have so long fattened off in Pittsburgh, the best that there is in stage entertainment? The public has no more personal interest in Mr. David Belasco than it has in Mr. Abe Erlanger or Mr. Samuel Nixon, but the public does not care to be told that either one of three gentlemen has the power to negotiate, frighten, buy or beg off the opportunity for Pittsburgh to have not only the best entertainment, but all of the best. If The Gazette, for instance, was to be caught purloining the papers of its contemporaries, destroying the delivery wagons, or conspiring with the carriers and agents to do these things, public indignation would blaze into a fire that would burn to ashes even the splendid prestige that this journal now enjoys. And yet I imagine actual competition is quite as great in this field as in the theatrical field.

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Managerial ideals are low. Managerial judgment is at fault. The public in the last analysis is not concerned particularly about houses or management. When it has an opportunity to give untrammeled expression to its desires the public will choose the best, no matter what may be the immediate environment. I am heartily in sympathy with the progressive spirit that builds handsome theaters and adorns them in plush and rich velvets. These things are esthetically educative, but they are the shell, not the kernel. I said in a previous paragraph that though we had more and finer theaters than we had ten years ago the real worth and diversity of our stage entertainment had deteriorated. That statement upon examination will be found literally true. Can you imagine entertainments of the grade of Mansfield, Francis Wilson and a big extravaganza like the one now playing at the Nixon all in Pittsburgh at one time under present conditions? We have nine houses now. Vaudeville and the stock company are features that have become fixtures and represent a diversity that may be regarded as improvement. But last week we had practically four vaudeville entertainments, with a big spectacle that is considerably more like vaudeville than were the Henderson attractions. Chauncey Olcott, who is a singer of Irish ballads rather than an actor, and Theodore Hamilton, a fine old actor in melodrama, represented the diversity of the present dramatic situation, if you leave out the stock company, which, excellent as it is, was being absolutely wasted in an old and obsolete rural drama of the vintage of twenty years ago.

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Take the type of entertainment at the Avenue, Empire, Grand, Duquesne, Academy and, by adding a brilliant and magnificent stage environment, even that at the Nixon, and you will find that for one entire week Pittsburgh had six chances to enjoy one type of amusement, one chance to see an old play that appeals only to bucolic New Englanders, one to hear Irish songs that have been heard a half dozen times, and one lone peep at the drama of vivid, living appeal, and that through the medium of a melodrama at a popular-priced house. Is it any wonder that thoughtful people are beginning to wonder where the trouble is? It is not lack of public interest in the theater. When the Alvin was sold to a vaudeville syndicate to make room for the big Nixon I was chided derisively for protesting, and was told that "first-class" entertainment in Pittsburgh could only pick up people enough to fill one house. I shall present below some evidence to support the contention that while we have built new theaters we have steadily gone backward both in the character and diversity of the entertainment furnished. Here are some Pittsburgh theater programs, taken at random from a corresponding time of the year nine years ago.

WEEK NOVEMBER 4, 1895.

Alvin—James A. Hearne in "Shore Acres." Bijou—Chauncey Olcott in "The Irish Artist." Duquesne—Otis Skinner in "Villon, the Vagabond," "His Grace de Grammont," "Hamlet," "The Merchant of Venice" and "Katherine and Petruchio." New Grand—Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag." Harry Williams' Academy—Hyde's Comedians. Avenue was playing light operas, like "Pinafore," in conjunction with vaudeville.

WEEK NOVEMBER 25, 1895.

(Thanksgiving week.)

Grand—Robert Mantell in "Monbars," "The Marble Heart," "The Husband" and "Corsican Brothers." Duquesne—Thomas Q. Seabrooke in "Baby Mine." Alvin—Roland Reed in "The Politician." Bijou—"The White Rat." Academy—The New Meteors.

WEEK DECEMBER 23, 1895.

Duquesne—John Drew in "Christopher, Jr." Alvin—Julia Marlowe-Taber and Robert Taber: Monday, "Romeo and Juliet;" Tuesday, "Twelfth Night;" Wednesday matinee, "The Lady of Lyons;" Wednesday, "As You Like It." New Grand Opera House—Hoyt's "A Trip to Chinatown." Bijou—"The Great Diamond Robbery."

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In the face of these samples of stage entertainment less than ten years ago the Pittsburgh public will feel that overflowing gratitude for fine new theaters may have its limitations. Nor must it be supposed that these competing attractions were playing to empty benches. Mr. E. J. McCullough, who was manager of the Duquesne during this period, tells me that he has known Richard Mansfield, Francis Wilson and one of Dave Henderson's big extravaganzas along with less priced entertainment to play to packed houses, while a special attraction like Patti at the old rickety skating rink on Penn avenue could fill that place to capacity. The people do not select their entertainments on the basis of the trimmings or location of the house, neither are they particularly mindful whether it is "presented" by Mr. John Jones or Mr. William Smith. They know that some of the most artistic players are now barred out of Pittsburgh; they know that this is not because we haven't theater room, but for some personal reason. These people are asking uncomfortable questions as to why so much musical comedy vaudeville and frayed-at-the-edges melodrama, and so little clean, fresh, wholesome entertainment of a novel or original kind is being given in this city. With malice toward none and charity for all this department undertakes to answer the question by saying that one-half of the managerial powers are too busy devising schemes of personal defense against competition that they fear because by comparison they are weak, and the other half don't know art when they meet it face to face in the highway.

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The withdrawal of the Avenue from the field of competition was the item of greatest interest announced last week. Manager Davis made a sincere and praiseworthy effort to add an element of novelty to the local situation, but his judgment was at fault. If a travesty company with some really striking talent had been secured and original burlesques prepared I believe the venture might have proved profitable. At the Avenue there was a more or less expensive retinue of people who only in one or two instances did better work than what one sees in vaudeville and musical comedy. Then, too, a mistake was made in changing the bill each week. One result of this was exceedingly ragged performances up to the middle or latter part of the week. There seemed to be lack of organization and sound judgment in handling the people so as to secure the best results also. Over and above all these things, however, loomed the big fact that the Avenue was only trailing in with a class of entertainment too nearly of the grade and type of that with which we are already surfeited. It was not distinctive, could not be with the material in hand, and Manager Davis has frankly and wisely confessed his mistake and called off the venture. The possibilities within his reach for the now vacated Avenue are many. If he have the courage and the public good at heart he may make a ten strike by becoming as thoroughly independent as he is enterprising. The theater-going public of Pittsburgh is honestly appreciative of Manager Davis' efforts to enlarge the sphere of his activities. That public has done much for him, and I believe is willing to do more when he decides in favor of placing the public interests over the mere question of corporate interference.

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The beautiful spectacle at the Nixon is proof that what the managers undertake in the way of display they have the money and the courage to complete in a style that is simply royal. "Mother Goose" is one of three or four like entertainments that have come to us from Drury Lane, London. In two particulars I believe "Mother Goose" the most delectable of the group. Its color tones are more artistic, showing that the American producers have advanced a few paces in their art tastes. The first of the spectacles was a big splash of heterogenous elements put together simply to awe the senses by force of magnitude. "Beauty and the Beast" was pretty, but its opulence was rather vulgarly overdone. "Blue Beard" was less coherent, and too nearly of a piece with its predecessors. In "Mother Goose" we have less slap dash, but considerably more appeal to quiet and sensible art appreciation. The finale of the second act with its pansy picture and use of the aerial ballet is an exceedingly graceful grouping of color and life. The prodigal display of female pulchritude is a means, not, as in former spectacles, an end. In its burlesque features "Mother Goose" is more amusing perhaps, than some of its predecessors because our absurd friend Joe Cawthorne is given larger scope for the display of his humor of the broadly burlesque type. In one or two instances Joe's latitude might be circumscribed. I am sorry to find that one of the nastiest of the Rogers Brothers prose jokes has been interpolated in the "Home Journal" travesty that Cawthorne sings. It is coarse and indecently suggestive, and Mr. Cawthorne should cut it out. When we Americans attempt to suggest evil we are much like our English cousins, compelled to reveal broadly the ugly thing aimed at. In other particulars the comedy of "Mother Goose" is what the seeker for stage amusement usually calls "great." That quartet, the burlesque of the aerial ballet and Cawthorne's ditties are all mirth-provoking in the extreme. Neva Aymar's Indian conceit is another star item on the "Mother Goose" menu card, so is

pretty Lelia McIntyre, who, it is to be regretted, will retire from the cast at the close of the Pittsburgh engagement.

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"A Fool and His Money," which the stock company will present was one of the three or four failures that come near jolting the life out of Willie Collier last year. Strange to say, though a failure in Collier's hands, the piece was enthusiastically approved by the critics in New York while in the hands of Jameson Lee Finney. I imagine Mr. Courtenay ought to do the star role well. Edward Morgan comes to the Gayety with Hall Caine's pseudo-religious drama, "The Eternal City." Mr. Morgan had quite an uncomfortable time of it when in Pittsburgh last season with this play. Miss Janet Waldorf, his leading lady this year, is a Pittsburgh girl by very many of her affinities, but it is not believed that she will disturb the orbit of her star to the extent suffered through the popularity of Miss Sarah Truax last year. At the Bijou "The Fatal Wedding" will be seen; "Happy Hooligan" comes to the Duquesne, while vaudeville will be at both the Empire and the Grand, and Rice and Barton's style of variety at the Academy. The Avenue will be saved from total eclipse by the mystic wonder of remarkable Anna Eva Fay.

-Academy-Katie Hart

Duquesne-Rosa Gore

-Empire - Rappo Sisters

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I but voice the universal sorrow among theatergoers not only in Pittsburgh but wherever the gentle art of that delightful and loved old actress was known when I put on record the sense of loss that is felt over the death of Mrs. Gilbert. She had lived long past the scriptural age limit, and had lived well. Industrious, with marvelous devotion to her art and pride in the profession she had chosen, this fine old lady was for years an ornament to our stage and a source of inspiration to her sister aspirants who felt the sting of discouragement. Her death comes as a distinct shock. Though she had reached a remarkable age in her profession, that age was until the last a buoyant one, and she had started upon her first starring tour with all the eagerness and joy of a child. It was to be her last work, by her own choice. Death has stepped in and confirmed that choice, to the grief and sorrow of us all.

Stage News and Gossip.

A correspondent of this department raps the editor over the knuckles concerning a paragraph in last Sunday's "Plays and Players" denouncing a method of spurious advertising. Tacking the paragraph at the head of his note he writes:

"This is all very well the 'day after taking,' but why was this item not printed before we spent our good money to see the Cohans? You surely knew the facts before the entertainment, for the writer knew of it the week previous.

"Yours truly,

"C. D. BROWN."

Our correspondent must remember that the particular form of advertising to which reference was made did not display itself until too late for advance condemnation. The Gazette's dramatic department does not practice, as a rule, the "trailing in behind" mode of comment, and had it known that an electric sign with the "Four Cohans" name was to be used would have unhesitatingly condemned it. Our correspondent is right in his implied criticism of all such spurious advertising, and this department will always be found defending the public against such unworthy devices.

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Miss Jane Darrah will make her appearance with the stock company this week, playing an important role in "A Fool and His Money." Miss Darrah will be pleasantly remembered for her work with the stock company in one or two productions last season. During the engagement of "Lovers' Lane" at the Grand last year Miss Darrah was taken ill, and for 22 weeks was a patient at one of the local hospitals, suffering from typhoid fever. She has entirely recovered her strength and will reappear at the Alvin tomorrow. Miss Darrah is not only widely known socially in Pittsburgh, but has a sister, Mrs. R. L. Gates, living in this city.

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Viola Allen, in "The Winter's Tale," is the Nixon underline.

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There was quite a national mixup at Bombay, India, last year, where Miss Janet Waldorf was playing at the head of her own company. A benefit performance was given for the widows and orphans of the English soldiers, and Miss Waldorf was requested to appear, which she did, reciting Kipling's "The Absent Minded Beggar." The author of that popular effusion is an Anglo-Indian; Miss Waldorf is an American, born and educated in Pittsburgh; the gentleman who handed 'round the bag after the recitation was a Chinaman; the money was handed to a Scotchman, and an Englishman returned thanks to the audience for their generous contribution.

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The Nixon's list of attractions for the next few weeks indicate that managers are regarding this city with favorable eye. Viola Allen, Ada Rehan, Richard Mansfield and William Gillette follow each other in the order named. This is a group of Americas greatest stars in their several fields. Miss Allen may now be regarded as the foremost exponent of Shakespeare's women, dividing honors with Julia Marlowe. Mr. Mansfield is perhaps the greatest of our character actors of the serious school. Ada Rehan is a memory of a once fine school of acting and Gillette is incomparable in his way.

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"Buster Brown," The Gazette's cute youngster in dramatic form, is coming to the Duquesne next week.

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Katherine Kennedy has returned to New York after a third visit to London and Paris in search of a satisfactory play. Miss Kennedy saw Augustus Thomas and Arthur Pinero while abroad, and says she has the right play at last, but gives no title.

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"Sergeant James" is in rehearsal by the Alvin stock company.

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Maurice Donnay has sold the American rights to "L'Escalade," his play which was produced successfully recently in Paris, to Charles Dillingham. The piece will be shown in this country next spring.

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Miss Eleanor Kent, late prima donna with the Avenue travesty company, will go into vaudeville.

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Gertrude Swiggett, who plays the leading role in "Tilly Olson," was born on the Atlantic ocean and she claims America as her home.

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Miss Gertrude Haynes, organist with "The Fatal Wedding," was once organist in a fashionable Boston church.

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Henrik Ibsen was reported by cable November 26 as seriously ill with the heart trouble which has caused much public anxiety for several years, but later dispatches say that his physician considers him much improved and out of immediate danger.

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Percy Williams in "Deserted at the Altar," is the Empire underline."

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Walter Fessier sailed from Liverpool November 16 on the steamer Baltic, and arrived in New York on the 25th. He spent two months in London and three months on the continent, visiting every big city in Europe. During his travels he succeeded in picking up eight new plays, which will be presented in this country during the season of 1905 and 1906. Mr. Fessier is a native of Greenville, Mercer county, Pa.

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Edward Morgan, who is at the Gayety this week, will in all probability create the leading role in "The Prodigal Son" some time this winter.

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"Marta of the Lowlands" is the play underlined for the stock company at the Alvin.

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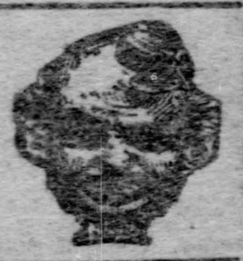

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Programs for the Week

ALVIN—"A Fool and His Money."

"A Fool and His Money," which will receive its first presentation on any stage in this city at the new Alvin theater tomorrow afternoon, where it will open for one week, is a play full of quiet humor. The critics of the New York press were enthusiastic about the play, saying, among other things, that it is funner than Mr. Broadhurst's previous successes, "What Happened to Jones," "Why Smith Left Home" and "The Wrong Mr. Wright." Mr. Broadhurst has a capital story to tell, and he relates it with all the skill of the practiced playwright, and in dialogue that is delicious in wit, epigram and satire.

The action takes place in the apartment of two young men hard pressed by fortune—one is the son of a millionaire, the other his friend, faithful in adversity, an artist whose pictures do not sell. But the poverty is self-sought; the young sprig of wealth has discarded his father, stung by the

ALVIN—Emma Dunn.

reproach that he cannot earn his salt. Against his father's will Percy Merrill goes into the cold world in search of adventure. The two men in question, impersonated by William Courtenay and Mr. Wyngate, go in lodgings together where they encounter Emma Dunn, who is the slavey genius of the place. Courtenay is an inventive sharp and has applied for a patent on a car wheel attachment—a device which, as will be remembered, is a favorite means by which scions of the plutocracy exhibit that they could be clever if they had to. But Mr. Courtenay has invented other, and more immediately practical things. There is a pantry and ice box combined; there are the hat box and mandolin case, which hold the kitchen utensils. The two men read recipes in a Marion Harland cook book and in consequence their boiled eggs are not quite artistic. A patent trunk, which combines a refrigerator, is one of the features of their comical act. Emma Dunn, as the slavey, has a monologue at the dumb-waiter in this scene, which is said to be rib-expanding in provoking laughter. Every member of the company will appear in the cast.

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NIXON—"Mother Goose."

Tomorrow night at the Nixon will begin the second and final week of "Mother Goose," with all her brilliant following of funmakers and the sprightly ladies of the ballet, her choruses with fetching songs, and the Grigolatis, those dancers of the air, will continue to provoke smiles and enthusiasm from the young and old. Concerning this latest Drury Lane spectacle, enthusiastic praise can be bestowed upon it as a production. As a merry spectacle it has never been equaled on our local stage. Old theatergoers will recall spectacular shows of the past, but "Mother Goose" flies higher than all of them. One comes away from an entertainment like that presented at the Nixon theater last week delighted with the riot of color, movement, revelry and harmony, feeling the kind of exhilaration which soothes and braces tired nerves; which enables one to lie peacefully down to dreams; puts one into the delightful free-from-care condition of innocent childhood, and makes the world happier and better. Surely it would seem that the chief end of the theater is reached by such completeness of amusement, such perfection of combination of stage factors that, while the eye and ear and the risibles are kept busily employed for three hours, one is really refreshed.

There are beautiful ballets without number, transformation scenes that bewilder and so many pretty girls that the stage is crowded, while the costumes are symphonies of color and richness. Joseph Cawthorne, as Mother Goose, bears off new laurels, and the other chief comedians, William H. Macart, Harry Kelly and Clifton Crawford, furnish fun of the rollicking sort.

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GAYETY—"The Eternal City."

Liebler & Co. will present Mr. Edward Morgan in "The Eternal City" at the Gayety theater for one week, beginning tomorrow. He will be supported by a strong company, including Frederick De Belleville and Janet Waldorf. Miss Waldorf is the Pittsburgh girl who scored such a big hit in Europe. Miss Waldorf headed her own company in tours and generally played in classic roles, her Rosalind, Portia, Juliet, Parthenia in "Ingomar," Julia in "The Hunchback," and Pauline in the "Lady of Lyons," being especially conspicuous features in an exceedingly large repertoire. While it is true that Miss Waldorf has been so long abroad, yet she is an American girl, born and bred. She is a native of Pittsburgh—her real name being Miss Midgley—and she obtained her instruction at competent hands, for she was a pupil of Mrs. Ada Dow Currier of Cincinnati, the lady who first introduced Julia Marlowe to the American stage, and to whose rare judgment, experience and drill the stage is today, and, for the past quarter of a century, has been so deeply indebted. The cast will be otherwise the same as when the play was presented at the Alvin last season.

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BIJOU—"The Fatal Wedding."

"The Fatal Wedding," America's greatest melodrama, is with the same cast as last year, with the exception of tiny Cora Quinten, who is alternating with Baby Keefe in the role of "The Little Mother." One of the main things which made "The Fatal Wedding" so immensely popular is its sensible story and two most remarkable scenes. The most important of these is that of the interior of Grace church, New York. The church is decorated for a marriage ceremony as the curtain rises, and presently the spectators enter, and after the usual amount of gossiping take their seats. The surpliced choir, which during the Bijou engagement will be composed of 50 boys, files into the organ loft singing an anthem to the accompaniment of an organ. The bride and groom take their stand before the minister, and as the sacred words which will make them man and wife are about to be uttered, a pistol shot rings out. The bride, without a word, falls dead at the foot of the altar. Thus "The Fatal Wedding" is is tragically averted and "The Little Mother" avenged.

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DUQUESNE—"Happy Hooligan."

The dazzling, sensational and novel "Radium Dance" will be introduced in Pittsburgh for the first time tomorrow night in the production of "Happy Hooligan," which begins a week's engagement at the Duquesne theater. The spectacle, which was the rage of Paris for over a year, has been seen on Broadway and in St. Louis and was made a prominent feature of "Happy Hooligan" two weeks ago. Another novelty is the "Diamond-Gowned Beauty Chorus," which is noted for the number of pretty girls and originality of the dress decorations. In addition to these special numbers, the cast includes well-known vaudeville teams which do much to enliven the show. They are Crimmins and Gore, the Electric Comedy Four and Kerr and Cannon. Fred Opper, the caricaturist, and Frank Dumont, playwright, have practically rewritten "Happy Hooligan" for the present tour and everything has been done on a more elaborate and costly scale than before. The music is brighter, the costumes handsomer, the jokes fresher and the scenery more pleasing. "Happy" is about the only thing that remains of the original production and, as usual, he is welcomed with open arms. The "Radium Dance" is executed in total darkness and the audience, instead of seeing the figures of the dancers entire, see only their legs and arms. Their hands, heads and bodies are lost in the darkness.

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EMPIRE—A Big Vaudeville Array.

The attraction in the Empire this week will be vaudeville of a novel character. First in the makeup of the program comes Miss Florence Heathcote, the Japanese actress, with her one-act playlet, which is called "Yu-Me-Mo-Yo," and is by the pen of Miss Florence Meathcote (Fuji-Ko), Japanese for Heathcote. The incidental music is by Harry Rowe Shelly. In the cast will be the authoress, who will impersonate Fuji-San (the Screen Maiden), and Philip Jean Bernard, late with Henry Miller's company. Greatest among the other features is said to be the equilibrist act of Rostow, a Russian artist, who recently arrived in this country. The Rappo Sisters, Russian dancers, will be seen for the first time in this city. Alice Doone and company present a new Irish sketch; Yeckley and Bunnell, musical comedians; Little Dorothy Earl, in her imitations; McKissick and Shadney, kings of Ethiopian comedy; Harry Le Mar as "The Giddy Girl," and J. Frances Dooley, John F. Leonard and Mazie King, appear in their new comedy success, "Share and Share Alike."

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GRAND—Robert Hilliard.

One of the genuinely dramatic events of the vaudeville season will be the appearance at the Grand opera house this week of Robert Hilliard, as this admirable actor invariably presents something that appeals to those who seek refined and artistic entertainment. He will be pleasantly remembered for his excellent work in that delightful dramatic etching, "The Littlest Girl," and on this occasion he will present here for the first time "Number 973," a one-act play, which is said to be intensely dramatic. Mr. Hilliard is supported by a company of four people. Among the other contributors is Gus Williams, conceded to be the foremost of German dialect comedians. Prevost and Prevost will also appeal to the lovers of fun with their comedy acrobatics. Their "Fun In a Turkish Bath" is one of the funny offerings of the day. The Golden

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ACADEMY—"Rice & Barton."

Rice & Barton's big extravaganza company pay their annual visit to the Academy this week. This will be the signal for crowded and delighted houses, who will enoy to the limit the endless list of good things incorporated with this famous attraction. Charles Barton, who is justly called the major general of comedy, offers a melange of refreshing, original humor, peculiarly his own inimitable brand, and Bert Baker, recently starring in "Yon Yonson," an artist of high order, aids and abets him in his laugh-creating mission. A large cast of singing, dancing and specialty performers each contribute a share in the general enjoyment, and the result is that not one dull or uninteresting moment intervenes. The scenic adornments are brand-new and from the most celebrated studios in New York. The costumes, designed and made in Paris, are superb in design and of the richest materials. In fact, Rice & Barton's big gaiety company is perfection in detail and effect.

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AVENUE—"Anna Eva Fay."

Anna Eva Fay will be at the Avenue theater this week, opening with a matinee for ladies [illegible] tomorrow afternoon. The change from Old City to the Avenue was a step tha was seen to be absolutel necessary, for the attendanc was constantly growing t such gigantic proportions tha not two-thirds of those wh wanted to get in were able t secure admission. This give some idea of the intense an widespread interest that ha been displayed by Pittsburgi ers in the performances give by this most remarkable littl woman. People have com from miles around in ever direction, and it is safe to sa that her audiences are a true representation of the idea "Greater Pittsburgh" tha have ever been collected i any theater before. Rich an poor, old and young, a eagerly apply at the office fo admission tickets, and daint ladies, who have never in a their lives been in Old Cit hall, nor ever entered any bu the most expensive places o amusement, have gladly take whatever seats they could ge and sat shoulder to shoulde with persons arrayed in ver different clothes, in order to listen to the mysterious messages given by Miss Fay, and her marvelous reading of thoughts. While the whole performance is full of absorbing interest, the portion in which Miss Fay answers questions exerts the greatest charm for the average person, for then it seems that one is face to face with revelation incarnated. Hundreds of questions have been asked her every performance, and in every case the answers have not only completely mystified the questioner, but have been of positive assistance in solving their difficulties.

ANNA EVA FAY.

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Viola Allen Coming.

The engagement of this distinguished young actress at the Nixon, beginning next Monday night week, is eagerly awaited. Miss Allen will be seen as Hermione and Perdita in Shakespeare's "Winter's Tale." The production is in every way magnificent and Miss Allen in the dual role will eclipse her splendid artistic success achieved at this house last season in "Twelfth Night."

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"Buster Brown" to Return.

"Buster Brown" comes to the Duquesne theater the week of December 12, with a matinee every day except Monday, during which engagement a supplemented company will be seen just prior to the beginning of the New York engagement. The strength of the cast will be brought up to 85 people and will include, besides the old favorites, Master Gabriel and George Ali (as Tige), Emma Francis, late of Rogers Bros., and La Belle Dazie, a French dancer, who will make her first appearance in America, at the Duquesne.

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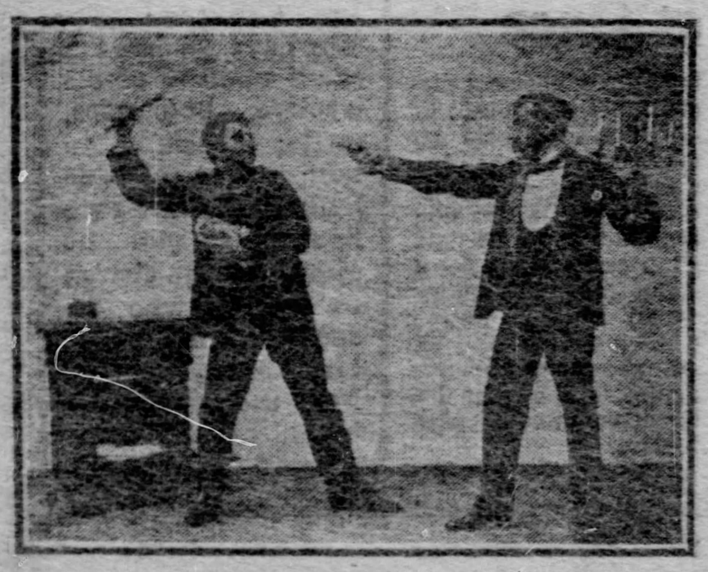
"Marta of the Lowlands" Coming to the Alvin.

The most interesting announcement Manager Davis has made thus far in connection with the appearance of the stock company at the New Alvin theater, is the arrangement he perfected last week with Mr. James K. Hackett, insuring him the rights to produce "Marta of the Lowlands" in Pittsburgh



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week commencing Monday afternoon, December 12. Pittsburgh was the first city to see this play originally. It was given here at the Duquesne theater in the early part of last season, when Mrs. Fiske came on from New York to superintend the stage direction of it.

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"Captain Barrington's" Return.

Messrs. Hyde & Behman, proprietors of the Gayety theater, announce another grand production for the week of December 12, when the handsome romantic actor, William Bramwell, will be seen in "Captain Barrington," an absorbing story of revolutionary strife, filled with love, romance and high American ideals. The entire original production will be used during the engagement.

Stage News and Notes.

Bobby North, until yesterday with the Davis travesty company, will join "Buster Brown" when it comes to the Duquesne theater next week.

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Creston Clarke in "Monsieur Beaucaire" is an early Gayety attraction.

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Perhaps the most impressive memorial services ever held by Lodge 11, B. P. O. Elks, will take place tonight in the beautiful Nixon theater. The theater will be decorated with flowers and palms. The program is a very lengthy one and includes the services of the Mendelssohn quartet, recitations, hymns and the tributes to the dead of the year.

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The Murphy-Nichols company and Henry Dixey, are both Grand underlines.

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Mr. Fin Reynolds, who is well known in Pittsburgh, being a brother of John Reynolds, declined to accept an offer to go on the road this season and is in the ticket office at Duquesne garden.

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Millward Adams, manager of the Auditorium theater, Chicago, has been appointed by President Roosevelt commissioner of the United States to the international exposition at Liege, Belgium, in 1905.

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Zeffie Tilbury, the daughter of the famous burlesquer, Lydia Thompson, impersonates Paulena in Viola Allen's production of "The Winter's Tale." Miss Tilbury appeared in the same play with Mary Anderson 15 years ago, appearing as Mopsa.

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Baby Kiefe, who is at the Bijou this week, is said to be the youngest child actress on the stage.

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Having hit the bull's eye so squarely in his first attempt, I. N. Morris will write another play for Nat Goodwin's use next season.

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Martin Harvey, the English actor, made his first appearance as Hamlet in London last week.

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Mrs. Leslie Carter commenced rehearsals of "Adrea" November 21 at the Belasco theater. It will be produced December 26 in Convention hall, Washington, D. C.

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E. S. Willard will begin his ninth American tour on January 30 at the Knickerbocker theater, New York. Wilson Barrett's "Lucky Durham" will be the play. A local engagement will follow.

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When Edna May leaves New York she will play as far west as Chicago, while Mr. Drew will go clear through to the coast, his season running until the last of June. Miss May will be seen in Pittsburgh in "The School Girl" some time in February.

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Raymond Hitchcock has made such a success with "The Yankee Consul" that his manager, Henry W. Savage, has decided to cancel the proposed trip to London and will present the piece in this country all next season.

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Laura Burt reaches New York next week from London. She comes to this country to become the leading woman of the Bellows stock company at St. Louis. Miss Burt is under contract to return to London in the spring.

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Robert Downing, whose name has long been associated with "The Gladiator," but who retired from the stage some years ago, will soon begin a tour, appearing in "Ingomar," "Out of the Wilderness" and other plays in his repertoire.

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Charley Barton, who is at the Academy this week, was born and raised in Millvale, and has many friends in that part of the city.

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Olga Nethersole refuses to accept the verdict of the London press as to the merit of her play by Mrs. Craigie, "The Flute of Pan," and says she will make changes and prove her judgment right.

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"Hi, Low, Jack and the Game," a musical comedy by Stanislaus Stange and Julian Edwards, will be given a New York production by Fred C. Whitney early in the spring.

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The Quiet Observer.

By ERASMUS WILSON.

Age appears to be best for four things—old wood to burn, old wine to drink, old friends to trust, old authors to read.—Alonzo of Aragon.

IN THESE times it seems that books are made to sell, while in the olden time they were made to read.

And what is more to the point, the old-time book was read, and read well. It was printed in clear, plain type, and substantially bound, usually in rawhide or fine dressed leather.

There were no cheap books in those days, nor was any cheap stuff put into books. And more, each book presented practically all that was known concerning the subject which it treated.

In those days there was little of romance, and less of fiction, written and published in book form. Authors were serious, and they wrote because they had somewhat to say, and not for the glory, nor for the money there was in writing a book.

And, with few exceptions, books were failures as money-makers, and for the reason that there were comparatively few book buyers, which was due to the fact that there were comparatively few among the masses who could read, or were possessed of a desire to learn, or had the ability to comprehend.

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When St. Thomas Aquinas was asked in what manner a man might best become learned, he answered by saying: "By reading one book."

The man who reads one book gotten up after the style of the old-time book, in which may be found practically all that is known on the subject, will be better posted than he who reads many books without giving careful thought to the subject matter.

That which you get from books is merely second hand, unless you carefully study the subject for yourself.

The book that is the most useful to you is the one that aids you most in the study of some particular subject, and not the one that is merely interesting or instructive.

To know a lot of books, no matter how good they may be, does not constitute learning. Some men are held to be learned because they can quote from many books. But they are not learned, for they have not studied into the things treated of in the books, so that what they may say is only second hand.

Much reading means litle thinking, which is the crying evil of today. We read one book after another, and cry for more, not taking time to think out the subject from our point of view with the aid and assistance furnished by books written by those who have thought it out from their points of view.

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The man of one book, the "homo unius libri" of the olden time, is a dangerous man to engage in debate or controversy. Hence the wise saying: "Beware of the man of one book." For you may be certain that he has not only read it carefully, but by careful study has verified the facts it contains, thereby making the knowledge of its author his very own.

It isn't what you eat, nor the quantity, that gives you brain and brawn, but that which you properly digest so that it may be assimilated and become a part of yourself.

John Smith eats heartily of mutton chops, but that same mutton must become John Smith before it can be of any real value to him.

John Smith reads a good book, but until it is properly digested and assimilated it is still a book and not of John Smith a part.

We are given to accounting those wise and learned who can quote copiously from the Bible, the poets and the wise men of the past, but it is not their wisdom, and they are not much the better for the loads of other men's stuff they carry and peddle around.

Nor is it wisdom, for wisdom is knowledge digested and assimilated. It thus becomes a part of the individual's own self, and he uses it, not as a borrowed tool, but as that which is his very own.

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Less than a century ago the distinguished scholar and writer, Sydney Smith, in a review of "Seybert's Annals of the United States," said:

"In the four quarters of the globe, who reads an American book, or goes to an American play, or looks at an American picture or statue?"

America now produces books and plays and works of art galore, and for one so young in the business she is attracting much attention.

That we are making books to sell there can be no doubt, and we are selling them, too, not only to our own people, but to Sydney Smith's people. We have also turned out some books to read as well as to sell.

The trouble with us is not that we make too many books, but that we do not make enough good books.

However, there are enough good books for all to read, enough to provide us with all the knowledge we need, but we are inclined to read cheap books because they are cheap, rather than to select good books, books that will prove real aids in the study and investigation of subjects that will tend to develop us into thoughtful, practical, useful people.

This is the season for buying books, therefore the fitness of the occasion for making these few remarks bearing on the subject of books.

"If I were asked," said Lowell, "what book is better than a cheap book, I should answer that there is one book better than a cheap book, and that is a book honestly come by."

That is the book you feel that you must have, no matter what it may cost.

George Meredith on American Literature.

Mr. George Meredith, the novelist, has recently expressed some interesting views concerning American literature, a summary of which is presented in the current Harper's Weekly.

"Has America ever produced a great writer?" inquired the interviewer.

"No, not a great writer," was the answer; "but there you must emphasize 'great.' She has produced excellent writers, some of the best writers, but not great. * * * Some of the best literature is American. Take Emerson. Emerson is a grand fellow. * * * Lowell is excellent. Edgar Allan Poe is the best writer of short stories we have. Bret Harte is good. Henry James is admirable. * * * America is young, very young. * * * You must give her time. * * * Fifty years hence America will be the first nation in the world."

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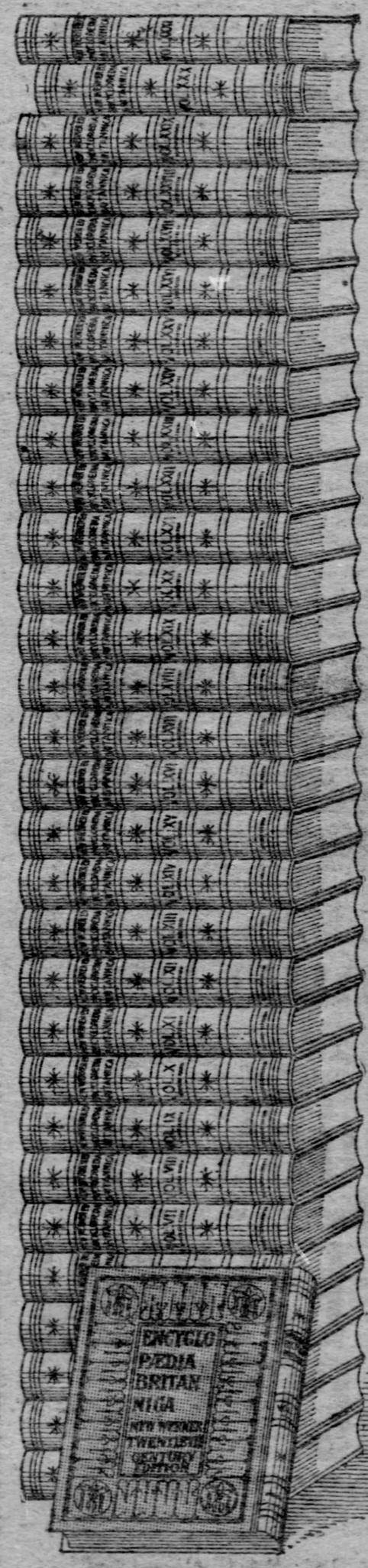

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The Editors Point of View

THE present series of love stories which is being published on the middle pages of The Gazette Home Journal is very successful, if the words of our friends count for anything. Therefore, we hope to continue it for several weeks longer, and one especially good story will be a piece of Christmas fiction, by Mary E. Wilkins-Freeman, which will appear in the issue of December eighteenth. There are few writers who have better depicted the scenes of everyday New England, and its more homely characters, than Mrs. Freeman. The story which we will present to our readers is written in her best style and is the love story of a country school teacher, deftly interwoven with a pen picture of the Christmas entertainments which are so usual among the small schools of the New England district.

After Christmas, Sarah Graham Hay, whose extremely interesting articles on Christmas gifts and their making, have been so well appreciated by those who can do fine sewing and embroidery, will give up her page for a few numbers to some new Trained Nurse articles, one of which will take up "Indigestion; How It May Be Avoided and Cured." America is so pre-eminently a land of diseases of the stomach, owing to our quick lunch habit, that this article ought to be read by every one of The Gazette's patrons.

Besides the features already noted, there will be a series of articles on a "Walking Tour in North Germany," illustrated with sketches of the country through which the author passed while on the tour. Roberta V. Bradshaw, whose items of Washington and the various phases of the life of this gay and cosmopolitan city, are by far the most valuable and correct of any which have appeared recently, will continue to tell of the doings of the fascinating capital. The "Little Poems of Greater Pittsburgh" will also go on, and so will the Gossip of Mistress Pepys, two features which are conceded to be quite unlike anything every before attempted in Pittsburgh.

Looking over this goodly array, the editors of the Home Journal Section feel rather inclined to congratulate themselves on being able to present to their friends so much matter of real worth. We can only hope for your continued good will and kindness.

IN the times of the Restoration and under the rule of several of the later monarchs, English-speaking women played cards for high stakes. Gambling for money was thought one of the most delightful forms of amusements, and too picquet tables were kept well-filled by fashionable ladies, many of them of high rank. Today we have changed this state of affairs but a trifle. Except in some of the wilder and more dissipated cliques, playing for a money stake has been strongly discountenanced, but bridge whist, and straight whist, and euchre parties have brought out a type of woman who is the exact counterpart of her gambling progenitor. This is the woman who plays for prizes, always, and who is deeply chagrined unless she wins one. Scores of matrons and maids can show any number of costly and beautiful trinkets which have been won at card parties. Although this is neither the time nor the place for a diatribe against card-playing, since such amusements must be determined by the individual conscience, it surely IS high time that the woman who plays for prizes was shown up in her true light. Primarily, she is wronging her hostess. She is invited for an afternoon of social enjoyment. She is not expected to play carelessly or inattentively, and to do so would spoil the game, but neither is she expected to play as though her life itself depended on her winning. Card parties often number many novices among the guests, and the annoyance they must endure from these hardened gamblers is as real as it is painful. Your Madame Playing-for-Prizes does not hesitate to speak rudely to her partner who has made a misplay or lost a point, and in many cases she will cheat with all the sang-froid in the world, and if caught at it will aver that it is a mistake. And yet she would be surprised, yea, mightily insulted, if one should insinuate to her that she was no more than a common "card sharp." There are very few card parties where one does not hear such conversations as these: "What in the world made you play that ace? It was my trick—I should think you would watch the game," and "If you had only followed my lead, we would have taken that," all uttered in the most acrimonious of voices and usually in a most offensive manner. The person thus attacked has two courses to choose from. Either she may say nothing and swallow her rage, rather than create any unpleasantness, or she may reply firmly and shortly, "Madame, I am playing the game to the best of by ability. There is no obligation that I owe you, to my knowledge, and even though my playing does not please you, I will ask either your kind indulgence for my ignorance, or, at least, your silence for my blunders." The woman gambler needs just such a reply occasionally to hold her in check, and when she has for partner one of these facetious persons who deliberately let trick after trick go by and then exclaim amicably, "How careless of me" or "Too bad, that was all my fault," there is the cup of misery full for Madame Playing-for-Prizes. The woman of this type is guilty of the most flagrant bad manners, and often bad morals, for to cheat in a friendly game of cards is not conducive to sterling character building. If all hostesses would sternly weed out the unpleasant woman gambler from their invitation lists they would be doing double service, not only to their other guests, but to their own reputation as a successful entertainer.

THERE are in Pittsburgh as well as in every other great city, numbers of ambitious, hard working young women who have left their homes either through choice or necessity to earn their own bread and marmalade rather than have their parents supply these viands. The shops, the offices, the libraries, the schools and other lines of work have claimed them. They enjoy the life of the city, there is so much more going on than there was in the little home place, and they quickly become attached to the new environment, and are inclined to look down on the life of their childhood. They make new friends, and they go to the theater and to concerts and to parties and in the flush of these hitherto unknown pleasures they are too prone to neglect their home folks. Of all pitiful things, and of all most unnecessary things, the wanton breaking of home ties because of absence is at once the most pitiful and most unnecessary. There are parents who have made every sacrifice for their daughters, and are left alone in their old age, waiting with trembling eagerness for their infrequent letters, following in fancy every move of their thoughtless children. The letters may come at such wide intervals that the mother and father begin to fear that sickness or even death has stopped them forever. They are too far away to come to the city and see their children, and life for them is lived with a heart ache and a dread of unknown dangers which menace the one dearer to them than all the world. If there is one duty which is above all things great and sacred it is that of tenderness and affection for one's parents. There should be no injunction needed for its performance. It should be a spontaneous pleasure. Girls who will spend money for new ribbons and ruches every day of the week will never think of buying a pretty stock or pair of gloves for the mother at home who has had no new bits of finery since the day she was married. This filial neglect is such abominable ingratitude! The woman who goes down into the Valley of the Shadow to give birth to a daughter has the right to expect something of that daughter, something of devotion, something of tenderness. All through infancy and childhood the mother must lavish constant care upon her child, often at a great expense to herself. And in return she receives heartless neglect. If it were in my power, I would make a law that every girl who is away from her home should write to her home people at least once a week, and should send them gifts at Christmas time and on their birthdays. Such a law would not only bring happiness to the mother, but would be of inestimable benefit to the daughter, who would thus be kept in touch with the life of the home. The time may come when in sorrow and contrition you may be called home to find the once loving voice stilled, and the hands that did for you so many services now lying peacefully folded in rest, and there will be no response to your cry for "Mother." Then the letters and the little gifts will be too late, and you will have to go on with your life knowing that you have neglected one of your chief duties. You will not find this remembering pleasant.

WITH Christmas shopping in mind, the stores are crowded with women eyeing all sorts of practical and useless things with a calculating eye. "Will that do for Cousin Mary" "How will Mother like that?" "I wish I knew if Father already has a reading glass?" One hears sentences like these at every turn of the head and very much uninterested saleswomen are called on to decide as to the merits of certain articles, intended for friends or relatives of the shoppers when the latter's mind refuses in weariness to exercise any judgment of its own. It is fatiguing work, this going from store to store and bartering and bargaining for things one is never quite sure are suitable and it is little wonder that finally, in utter weariness of mind and body, we buy articles which we afterward look at with wonder and think "What in the world induced me to buy that thing." But if there is one class of article which should be avoided with a strictness and a sternness which no weariness or haste can overcome, it is this spurious Art Nouveau stuff. The real Art Nouveau was a revolt against the elaborate and intricate patterns which had nothing to recommend them except expense. The spurious Art Nouveau is but a feeble imitation of the real, and is worse than that which it pretends to replace. The Art Nouveau designs are worked out in jewelry, pottery and in almost all forms of ornamental articles. Clocks, trays, bowls, ink stands, tea kettles, pitchers and the like and all bear the attenuated ungraceful women and the unnatural flowers which are the sign and symbol of the imitation Art Nouveau. Simplicity, its makers tell us, the imitation Art Nouveau represents, and simplicity as they manufacture it, consists in meaningless lines of a wavy indeterminate sort and a stern abhorrence of anything conventional. Of the imitation Art Nouveau jewelry the less said the better. Could Lalique, who started the true Art Nouveau movement, and by the power of his skillful workmanship and true artistic sense, created the most beautiful and exquisite pins and combs and pendants from the most unpromising materials, have foreseen into what caricatures the imitations of his work would degenerate, he is true artist enough to have abjured even the pleasure of creation. The Lalique jewels were carefully thought out and carefully executed by a master of his profession, but the imitations—who shall depict truthfully the horror of their coarse and heavy lines, their badly set gems, their crude colors. Leave it alone, if you have any desire to be thought of ordinary intelligence and appreciation of respectable art. Therefore, when the spirit of Christmas is strong within you and the Christmas gift money is burning holes in your pocket book, pass by the counters where lean thermometers and ash trays of green bronze decorated with lanky unclothed ladies and impossible poppies greet the eye, and go where you can purchase useful things which are not overshadowed with superfluous adornment, and beautiful things which are not bad art.

To those who have not yet perceived the entire lack of real beauty in this imitation Nouveau Art, it is cordially suggested that they save themselves worry and thought by going straight to the handkerchief counter and buying the sheerest and finest they can find. Even a blind person could not go astray then, and this course will prevent the dissemination of spurious art, and will save the feelings of your esthetic friends.

Sophie Peters Kerr

Housewives Reciprocity Bureau

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THE HOUSEWIVES' RECIPROCITY BUreau has grown and flourished like the proverbial green bay tree. The many words of commendation which come to us from our contributors to this department have not only been gratifying for the kindly feeling which they expressed but have made us feel that there was some real utility in the page, and that it was enjoyed by a great number of housekeepers all over the country.

The department will continue as heretofore, an "Open Congress" for housewives, wherein recipes and household experiences may be exchanged. All letters will be published, though it may be some weeks after they have been received. The large number we receive makes prompt publication an impossibility. For the best, most original and most useful letter we will pay $2.00 cash, and for the next best $1.00.

Contributors will confer a favor by looking over all letters carefully before sending, as several times omissions have occurred which rendered the subject matter of the letters valueless. The conditions remain as stated:

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THANK you kindly for the check received. A good remedy for measles: The first signs of this disease are generally found upon the forehead near the root of the hair, in the form of dull red blotches. Give the patient all the cold water he wants. If the bowels become very loose check the diarrhoea by giving the patient a half teaspoon of the following mixture every three hours: Aromatic syrup of galls, one ounce; laudanum, 40 drops.

Cholera Infantum—This is caused by unwholesome food, hot weather or painful teething. To remove the cause is the first step. A nursing babe may suffer from an improper diet on the part of the mother. Pure air may be all-sufficient. If the trouble comes from teething, have the gums cared for. Vomiting may be relieved by giving the child laudanum every three hours, a child one month old, one drop; three months old, two drops; six months old, three drops; one year old, four drops, and more according to the age.

Infant Sleep—Infants must have sleep for rapid growth. Therefore infants should spend their intervals between being fed, bathed and dressed in sleep. Never worry if the infant sleeps too long, there is nothing better for the child than a good sound sleep. Sound sleep means sound health. The following amount of sleep is required each day for infants: From four to six months, twenty hours; six to twelve months, sixteen hours; one to three years, twelve hours. If possible, undress the child before sleeping; tight bands prevent proper breathing. The baby's bed should be placed so that the sunlight from the window cannot fall upon the sleeper.

MRS. C. H., Etna, Pa.

[Note—The editor would reccommend extreme caution in the use of laudanum except under the immediate direction of a physician.]

I AM sending a gingerbread recipe to your bureau. I am sorry to see that I omitted the important part of it and will send it again. One-half cup of sugar, four and a half tablespoonfuls of butter, or half butter and half lard, a little salt, two eggs, one cup molasses, one cup sour milk, two level teaspoonfuls of soda, two heaping teaspoonfuls ginger, two and a half cups flour; mix sugar, butter, eggs and molasses together, dissolve soda in part of the milk, sift the ginger with the flour; mix well and bake in moderate oven. Line pan with waxed paper to keep from scorching. I hope the person who sent a request for gingerbread will try this recipe, for I know it is fine.

Corn Pone—Take two and a half pints of cornmeal, three eggs well beaten, two tablespoonfuls melted butter, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one quart of sweet milk; mix thoroughly then add one pint of wheat flour, one and a half teaspoonfuls baking powder, first mixing the powder into the dry flour and passing both through a sieve; bake in square pans and serve in blocks. MRS. J. M., Glenshaw, Pa.

HERE is a good receipt for mango peppers: Cut off the stems and remove the seeds from the green peppers. Put in salt and water strong enough to bear an egg. Keep them in brine for six days. Chop cabbage and onions very fine; grate horseradish and add to the cabbage and onions. Add mustard and celery seed and some tumeric. Mix all together and stuff the peppers. Put in a jar and pour cold vinegar until the jar is filled. The cabbage must be firm and white; scald and drain before putting in the peppers. To 50 peppers use one large cabbage. To a dozen small onions, ¼ pound grated horseradish, 1 ounce tumeric, ¼ pound each of white and black mustard seeds, and 2 ounces of celery seed.

V. P., Irwin, Pa.

APPLE AND NUT SALAD—Three cups chopped apples, 1 cup green grapes, 1 cup English walnuts. Chop grapes and nuts. Add 2 teaspoons celery salt. Then mix all together. Dressing: Yolks of 4 eggs beaten until very light, ½ teacup vinegar or lemon juice, 1 tablespoonful salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper, ¼ cup sugar. Mix all together. Place on stove and when it boils pour slowly over the beaten eggs. When cold and before using on salad, half a cup of cream may be added.

Steamed puffs—One cup sugar, 2 eggs, fll cup butter, ¼ cup sweet milk, 1 teaspoon baking powder, in enough flour to make a stiff batter; add 1 cup raisins, seeded, and steam one hour. I send the following recipes to the Housewives Department. They have been tried and not found wanting:

Scalloped Parsnips—Scrape and boil parsnips until tender; mash while hot a sufficienit number to make a pint. Beat into this 2 tablespoons butter, 2 cream, a well-beaten egg, ½ teaspoon salt. Butter a dish and put in a layer of bread crumbs; pour in a layer of parsnips, then a layer of bread crumbs alternately until dish is full. Layer of crumbs last. Pour over this layer a tablespoon butter melted in two tablespoons of hot milk.

Date pudding—One pound of dates seeded; flour dates well and then chop fine. One cup suet chopped, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 cup sour milk, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon soda, flour enough to make a thin batter. It must not be as stiff as poundcake or it will not be rich and short. Steam three hours in a cloth. Serve with whipped cream or any good sauce.

M. J. L., New Haven, Pa.

APPLE BLOSSOM SALAD—Chop half an onion and a cupful of cabbage together. Chop also (not too fine) apples that have first been washed and polished, but not pealed. Garnish salad bowl with lettuce leaves and put on them alternately the apples and cabbage with sprinklings of salt, sugar and celery salt. Use a mayonaise dressing. Just before serving, for fear they would turn brown, cut a firm unpeeled apple circularly, then cut very thin slices to garnish top of salad. In each slice is the perfect outline of an apple blossom. This is a quaint-looking and most delicious dish.

Graham Gems—One cup sugar, ¼ cup butter, 1 egg, a level teaspoon soda dissolved in 1 pint of sour milk, and 3 cups graham flour. Mix well and bake in a well-greased pan.

Quince honey—Five good-sized quinces, pare and grate. Have hot 1 pint granulated sugar and 1½ pints of water. Put in the quinces and boil half an hour.

Lily Cake—Cream 1-3 cup butter, add a cup sugar and 3 teaspoon extract lemon. Beat whites of 3 eggs to a stiff froth. Sift 1¾ cups flour and 1 heaping teaspoon baking powder together and add to the first mixture with ½ cup sweet milk. Bake in two layers and cover with the following chocolate frosting: Melt 2 squares of chocolate, add ¾ cup sugar and 3 tablespoons milk. Cook in a double boiler until smooth; add 1 egg yolk and cook one minute. Spread on cake at once. MRS. F. H. D., Dresden, O.

BEING a reader of The Gazette, and seeing a request for crumb pie, I will give it and gladly, as it is very good. To make the crumbs—One cup sugar, 1 cup butter, 3 cups flour. Line the pie crust with the crumbs and pour over it a syrup made as follows: One cup table syrup, 1 cup hot water, 1 teaspoon baking soda dissolved in water and spices to taste, ginger, cloves, cinnamon, allspice.

Black Chocolate Cake—Beat 3 eggs, white and yolks separately. To yolks add 1¼ cups sugar, ½ teacup of sour cream, large cup of flour, ¼ pound unsweetened chocolate melted with second half-cup of sour cream, a pinch of salt, a teaspoon vanilla, the whites of eggs and lastly 1 teaspoon of baking soda dissolved in a little boiling water. For the filling boil 1 cup of granulated sugar with water until it threads; beat the white of 1 egg to a froth, add ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar and syrup, beating all the while until cold, and flavor with lemon juice.

MRS. G. L. R., Sheradenville, Pa.

HAVING become very much interested in the Housewives' Reciprocity Bureau, I will, with the editor's permission, send you a few recipes which I have tried with good success.

Breakfast Dish—Take ¼ pound of fresh and nicely-chopped beef and fry in 1 tablespoon of butter until lightly browned. Then add 2 cups of hot milk and 2 teaspoons of flour, moistened with a little cold water; boil up and serve on toast immediately. This is delicious.

Cornmeal Pudding—To 1 quart of boiling water add 1 teaspoon of salt; then stir in 1½ cups of yellow cornmeal, or enough to make it the consistency of mush. Have ready, thoroughly mixed, 2-3 cup of flour and a teaspoon baking powder. After well beating that in, take from the fire and turn on a platter ready to serve. With rich, sweet milk it makes a very healthful lunch for children, and for a change, make a delicious dessert with sugar and cream or maple syrup.

A quick and sure way to remove iron rust from linen or cotton: Saturate the rust with a strong solution of lemon juice and salt; then hold over the nose of the teakettle of boiling water and the rust will disappear almost immediately.

To rid the home of water bugs, ants and other insects, as in cupboard and pantries or around water pipes: Sprinkle powdered borax on shelves or wherever they run. It is a sure preventive.

A quick way to remove a glass stopper from a decanter or glass bottle is to hold the bottle in the hand and strike the stopper gently with a hammer. I have removed them this way after they have been fast for years.

MRS. M. L. P., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

THESE recipes are tried and true: Sure Cure for Constipation—One pint of sorghum molasses mixed thick with bran. Dose—A spoonful four times a day.

For Asthma—Carry a piece of rosin in the pocket and occasionally take a small bite, chewing it well.

For a Choking Baby—Many babies strangle in nursing, and may instantly be relieved by forcibly raising the left arm, palm outward, perpendicularly at the side of the head.

To Prevent Sickness on Train—Eat plenty of fresh popcorn.

For thin people—One quart best blackberry wine, ½ pint of pure strained honey, ½ pint best olive oil. Dose—One tablespoon three or four times a day.

A linament for sore muscles or sprains—One quart of pure cider vinegar, 10 cents worth turpentine, 2 eggs whole; add eggs and turpentine to vinegar and let stand 12 hours, when it will be ready for use. MISS T. B., Dresden, O.

LITTLE PIGS IN BLANKETS—Season large oysters with salt and pepper. Cut fat English bacon into very thin slices. Wrap an oyster in each slice, fastening with a wooden toothpick. Heat a frying pan and place the "little pigs" in it. Cook just long enough to bring the bacon to a crisp—about two minutes if your fire is right. Place on small squares of toast and serve hot, without removing the wooden skewers. This is a toothsome relish for luncheon or tea, and garnished with parsley is a pretty one. The pan must be very hot before the "pigs" are placed in it, and great care must be taken to prevent burning.

Cream Cakes—Break 2 eggs into a teacup and fill up with either good sweet or sour cream. Add 1 cup of sugar, 1 cup of flour, 1 teaspoonful of cream of tartar and one teaspoon of soda. Bake in muffin pans.

Celery Sauce—The ingredients are: One head of cabbage, 50 cents worth of celery, 2 ounces mustard seed, 4 red peppers, 1 tablespoon of mixed spices tied in a bag and boiled in ½ gallon of vinegar for 20 minutes. Add 1¼ pounds of brown sugar to the vinegar. Chop the cabbage, celery and peppers very fine. Pour the boiling vinegar over the whole.

Cannelon of Beef—Mix well together the following: 1 pound chopped beef, 2 ounces butter, ½ teaspoonful of salt, ¼ teaspoonful white pepper, yolk of 1 egg, 10 drops onion juice, 1 teaspoonful chopped parsley and the grated rind of half a lemon. Form into a roll and bake in pie crust. Serve with brown gravy.

Brown Gravy—Brown 1 tablespoonful of butter; add 1 tablespoonful of flour; brown again; then add gradually 1 cup of water or stock, salt, pepper, onion juice and parsley.

MRS. J. L. G., Connellsville, Pa.

I SEND three recipes some of the readers of the Journal might like to have:

Steamed Puffs—One-half cup butter, 2 cups flour, 1-3 cup sugar, 1 cup milk, 1 cup chopped raisins, 2 eggs, 2 teaspoons baking powder. Steam in cups and serve with sauce.

Sauce—One cup sugar, 2 tablespoons flour, mixed together, teaspoon cinnamon, ½ cup butter and a pint of cold water. Cook until it thickens. Serve hot.

Cornstarch Pudding—Two and one-half cups milk, 1 cup sugar, 2½ tablespoons of cornstarch, the white of 1 egg, 3 tablespoons cold water, ½ teaspoon salt. Mix cornstarch and water; add to scalding milk, add sugar and when done fold in white of an egg. It should be quite stiff when done. Cook it in double boiler. Serve with sauce.

Sauce—One and one-half cups sugar, 2 teaspoons cornstarch, yolk of 1 egg, 1 teaspoon of vanilla, pint of milk. Add sugar, beaten yolks and vanilla to the milk. Cook until it boils, then stir in corn starch. Serve cold. These recipes are relished by invalids.

Cabbage Salad—Chop cabbage fine and sprinkle lightly with salt. Take a gill of vinegar; put on to boil. Beat 1 egg with a tablespoon sugar; add a half-pint of cream to sugar and eggs; beat together and when vinegar boils stir in cream and let all come to a boil. Pour on cabbage while hot and mix thoroughly. A small piece of butter or a few drops of olive oil may be added if liked, and also a little mustard. Hoping that these recipes will be enjoyed by all who try them, I am

MRS. E. H. T., Erie, Pa.

I AM a constant reader of The Gazette and am greatly interested in this page. I will enclose a couple of recipes which may be of use to someone.

Housekeeping Item—To drive cockroaches from your home strew pulverized hellebore root in places they frequent, at night. In the morning the roaches will be found either dead or dying, for such is their avidity for this plant that they never fail to eat it. Black pulverized hellebore may be had at all herb shops put up in small tin boxes and retailed at 25 cents.

Never use soap in cleaning your silverware, as it dulls the luster, giving the article more the appearance of pewter than silver. When it wants cleaning rub it with a piece of soft leather and prepared chalk, the latter made into a kind of paste with cold water.

For chapped hands and lips try ¼ pound of honey and ¼ pound of sal-soda, with 1 pint of water. Apply often.

Quicksilver and white of an egg destroys bedbugs.

Camphor put in drawers will keep mice away.

Delicious Cake—One-quarter pound of butter, 3 well-beaten eggs, ½ pound white sugar, ½ pound pastry flour, 1 teaspoon cream of tartar and 1 teaspoon baking soda, 1 teaspoon vanilla and enough milk or cream to make a batter. Bake 20 minutes in moderate oven. When cold ice and spread with chopped nuts. MRS. G. N. N., Pittsburgh.

I ENJOY your Sunday paper and recipes so much I will send in a few of the southern recipes, as I am a Georgian. To make cucumbers retain their greenness add a couple handfuls of green grape leaves.

Sween Potato Custard—Peel 4 large sweet potatoes; boil soft and mash; add 4 eggs, the yelks to the potatoes; sweeten and add ½ cup sweet milk, 2 tablespoons of butter; flavor with orange peel and froth with the whites.

Eggnog Recipe—Twelve eggs, beat separate; add to the yelks 1 teaspoon of sugar and 1 of brandy to each egg; beat whites as stiff as can be; add sugar and brandy to the yelks and stir in whites; fill glasses. It is very nice in cold weather.

Lilly—One quart of cream, add a little sugar; whip to a froth; add sufficient good wine to taste; fill glasses for luncheon. It is delicious at night.

Abrosia—Peel 6 oranges; slice into deep dish; sprinkle with sugar; peel a large cocoanut; cut off brown skin, grate and sprinkle on each layer and fill dish high. It is nice for any meal, especially at Christmas time.

Muffins—One quart of fresh buttermilk, 3 eggs, 3 tablespoons of lard; salt; add 2 teaspoons baking powder; use pinch of soda if milk inclines to sour. Stiffen with white corn meal and bake in gem pans in a hot oven. Do not make batter stiffer than cake. MRS. W. H. G., East Liverpool, O.

SIMPLE remedies to use at once in an emergency while waiting for the doctor: For a slight burn or scald apply olive oil, butter or cover with a cloth wrung out in about a pint of tepid water in which a piece of common washing soda the size of a walnut has been dissolved. For a bad burn or scald use linseed oil and lime water, mixed in equal parts, known as carron oil, soaked into a piece of lint and laid on. In the absence of these remedies, flour the burn well, cover up quickly; in all cases exclude the air as soon as possible. Rags wrung out in a solution of carbonate of soda and water relieve the pain. For cases where a child's clothes catch fire, after extinguishing the flames never pull off the clothes if sticking to the skin. Either cut them off around the burn, sponge them with warm water until they fall off, or put the child into a warm bath. Should anything get into the eye, one drop of castor oil should be dropped into the corner of it, but if it be mortar or lime, bathe with a weak solution of vinegar and water. A bead or button or pebble can be removed from the ear by the child being laid with the ear on the pillow and the upper ear being boxed sharply, or by syringing with warm water. A moth or other insect can be removed from the ear by pouring in a little warm oil, when the insect will float to the top. A pea or bean, or anything likely to swell must not be removed by warm water. Insert the nib of a pen and so remove it, taking great precaution not to insert the nib too far down, and also exercising care that you do not push the obstacle further in while endeavoring to get it out. MRS. M. E. F., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

I-Go-A-Gossipping

I KNOW where you can get a beautiful brand new tailor-made gown for almost nothing. It isn't out of style either—in fact, it is just in style—pleated skirt, very full, made over a lovely taffeta petticoat, just exactly the shade of the gown and the jacket—well, the jacket is a dream of gray broadcloth with touches of handwork all over the fascinating little vest and beautiful ornaments laid on and it's cut a la Louis—you know? 'Deed and double it is a Lupin chef d'ouvre and no mistake, but she said it brings her ill-luck and she simply won't wear it. She'd a heap sight sooner wear any old thing and have her luck with her. What's the use of her wearing a moonstone and hairs placed crossways-fashion in her locket if she wears a regular downright hoodoo for a gown? That is what she asked me when I told her I'd be sorry to give up such a sartorial dream "just because." Then she went on to tell me what all happened when she had that gown on. In the very first place the first time she wore it she was in a hurry—pretty nearly late for a bridge whist meet, and she missed the first car. The conductor saw her as plain as plain, but he just pointed his thumb backward—you know how they do sometimes when you're in the very biggest kind of a hurry? Well, he pointed his thumb backward and she waited and the next conductor used his thumb the very same way, and so did the next and one more and then one came who hadn't any thumb, at least, if he had one he didn't use it and she mad as hops, made a dash for that car and just regularly walked up the inside of that gown and tore yards and yards of that accordion-pleated ruffle right out of its anchorage. Well, if you've ever had the inside of your clothes torn when you are out for show you'll know exactly what she felt like, and I won't try to explain. Finally, however, she got to the bridge whist meet and there was not a single individual woman there who could hold a candle to her when it came to playing that delightsome game, but would you believe it, for the first time that winter—yea, for two winters—she went home without anything tucked under her arm! No prize, no nothing, but disappointment and chagrin. But, then, it was a pretty gown and immensely becoming and she thought she'd try wearing it some more, so she put it on and went out with Oriando. She had been having a right amiable time with Orlando, indeed, Orlando had been for some time past looking pretty much like Mr. Right, and he was very personable and well-to-do and had an auto and a good idea what was pleasing when it came to suppers and the theater and candy and violets. Now what should transpire, but a sudden cooling off in Orlando's ardor. In fact, she and Orlando couldn't get on at all. Heretofore she had had the easiest time in the world holding Orlando's undivided attention, but since that gray gown dawned, Orlando couldn't even be polite enough to keep his eyes her way when they were out to the theater together. His eyes roved and roved until they rested with visible and keen delight upon a girl just directly opposite to her sort of girl as it was possible for another girl to be.

She tried her sweetest wiles all to no purpose. She made eyes and coo-ed, she flattered Orlando—handed Orlando some of the piping, hottest fibs that he had ever had served up for the delectation of his vanity and the enlisting of his worth-while attention, but all to no purpose. That grey gown handicapped her good and proper.

Finally she took a notion that she'd wear it just to knock-about in. The very first knock-about wear settled her. She was going in to the city and gaily seated on the front seat of an open car when what should happen but an accident—boy got his leg cut off and she had just to sit there and see it done!

Well, she couldn't do anything better than take the next car home, she was so ill, and what occurred—on the way home, but the killing of a dog and before the dog died he let out a series of the most agonizing yelps that ever poor brute gave to protest against the giving up of his merry life. Those yelps just lived with that girl, night and day, for weeks and the end was she had to be sent away from town for ten days to recuperate and get her appetite for life back.

Then she laid the gown by and it stayed put away for some considerable time until her mother brought it out and told her it was all nonsense—mediæval nonsense and superstition and she'd have to wear that gown.

It was silly to let a little notion retire it from active service, and, anyway, it was so becoming. So the girl put it on once more and Oriando's Successor took her out for an auto ride and they walked home! The auto tried to climb a telegraph pole and when Orlando's Successor used his best endeavors to prevent it he succeeded in saving the telegraph pole, but the machine and the Girl with the Grey Gown and Orlando's Successor went over a pretty little hill!

The gown wasn't even soiled, but the girl got a whack on the head that made her see stars and the auto did something to itself that made it quite impossible for Orlando's Successor to get it going, so it all wound up with a long walk home and a stay-sick-in-bed-for-a-day with nervous collapse. Anyway, the gown's for sale cheap, together with a typewritten account of the things the gown is responsible for, and if nobody buys the gown she's willing to give it away!

And the Other Girl, who was with her said she knew jolly well that some gowns were lucky and some just the reverse, and then she told the story of the lavender blouse she had once. Why, she wore that blouse long after it was passe just on account of the luck it brought. She declared that to the very last minutes of its existence that blouse brought her good fortune. She never went to a card party with that blouse on that she didn't tote home the very prettiest prize in the whole collection.

Better still, she never wore that blouse that she didn't have a particularly successful evening with the beaux.

All she had to do if she wanted to go to the play that would be in town next week was to wear that blouse to a "party" and she'd get a chance to go just as sure as guns.

It was a regular good luck blouse, and when she had it on she'd always say the right thing at the very right time, she'd lead trumps as it were, and it got to be a joke in the card club. Nobody thought of standing up against the Other Girl when she had her lavender blouse on, and, of course, everybody was awfully glad when it was sure enough worn out.

About this time everybody had something to say and would you believe it, nearly every one had some pet good luck fad—a rabbit's foot tipped with silver, an Egyptian scarab buckle or belt pin or ring, or a lucky coin, and as for things they wouldn't do—well, here are some of them: wouldn't pass another on the stairway—wouldn't go back for anything after starting out for the day unless they sat down and counted ten just as leisurely as though they weren't in a hurry, wouldn't wear an opal ring, and wouldn't, wouldn't, wouldn't ever try anybody's bridal veil on! As for peacock feathers—not a peacock feather for any of them. One girl said she had a perfectly lovely peacock feather scarf—one of those yards and yards long things of white crepe, don't you know, with long, lazy, lovely, wavy peacock feathers in their natural colors printed on both sides for decoration and she was going to give it away that very day. She had written to see if her pretty little cousin wanted it, bad luck and all, and if the cousin didn't, she said I might have it and welcome, and I don't mind saying that after all I'd heard my blood was running cold and I had queer feelings up my spine, and next day when I ran up against the girl with the feather scarf it was all I could do not to show how very much relieved I was when I was told that the Little Cousin took the scarf and said, thank you—not that she wasn't afraid of the bad luck, but just because she had already had so many kinds of bad luck she felt pretty certain even a peacock feather scarf couldn't make things any worse! Personally, I think it's all foolishness, sheer foolish nonsense, that's the reason I think it's so queer. I didn't feel very bad about losing that perfectly lovely peacock feather scarf.

Mistress Pepys.

L'Eternel Feminin

By Winifred Dolan.

EVEN in the tropics one would not despise such rain, and Herbert Blake knew a thing or two about the tropics.

He had been away from England shooting big game for more years than he cared to reckon, seeing the hair on his temples was iron-gray now that had been glossiest brown when he went away. He left England to "try and forget" and he had succeeded beyond his ambition; he had been forgotten too. His brothers were married, his only sister dead, his friends scattered, and England seemed strangely empty. Empty and changed. The climate had changed; London streets had changed; habits and fashions had changed; above all had the women changed.

Being unprovided with an umbrella, which for many a day had ceased to be accounted a necessary item of his impedimenta, he stepped under the portico of an adjacent building which offered shelter.

The streets appeared suddenly deserted, the steaming air was full of despairing cab whistles, but not a cab was to be seen. It was off the 'bus route, too, and Herbert Blake, hunter and explorer, felt a twinge of ironical amusement as he realized his ridiculous reluctance to plunge into a London downpour.

"Such is the influence of civilization," he thought. As he stood there ruminating he saw the slight, lithe figure of a woman battling against the driving rain and coming at an acute angle across the road toward him.

She, too, sought the shelter of the portico beside him and he moved a little to make room for her. She acknowledged the action with a frank, businesslike jerk of the head which made him look at her again. What was she? A lady typist? Too bon genre for that. A teacher? Too smart. A governess? Too independent in her gait and mood. What was she? He noticed she held the dripping umbrella at a perfectly perpendicular angle to the ground and at arm's length well away from her person.

"She is no ordinary woman," he thought.

After a little she eyed him furtively and seemed undecided yet desirous to speak. This was a new clue. Was she a superior barmaid, a free lance, or perhaps an actress in a small way of business? His mind began to smile but he kept his face rigid. The rain continued. By and by a hansom bowled past them with three people inside; the whistles were still audible from various parts of the compass.

"Doesn't seem to be a cab to be had," ventured Herbert Blake.

"Never is," answered his companion shortly.

He scrutinized her closely. She did not seem in the least disturbed by his addressing her. She manifested neither the excitement of displeasure, nervousness nor complacency. What was she?

"I'm afraid you'll get awfully wet walking," he remarked.

"Just what I was thinking about you," she replied. "I've got an umbrella, you haven't."

Perhaps she was not going to be so difficult to classify after all.

"Which way are you going?" she asked abruptly.

He stared at her in amazement for a moment but something about her utter lack of self-consciousness checked him.

"If I can see a cab I shall drive to Piccadilly," he began.

"Well, I am going to catch a 'bus to Oxford street so your path lies my way. You can share my umbrella as far as we go together if you like. This rain is going to last all day." She picked up her skirt as she spoke and exhibited a pair of serviceable ankles and strongly-shod feet.

"You are very kind," he stammered, completely at a loss. But she had already started and he had to put forward a long stride to come up with her.

"Let me hold the umbrella, won't you?" he asked.

"Well, perhaps you'd better. You're taller," she said. "Come along this way; it's a short cut." She plunged up a side street, down another, through a perfect labyrinth of ways.

"You know London well it seems?" he remarked tentatively.

"Yes," she said.

At this moment they emerged on the main road, and 'buses, cabs, and carriages bespattered them with mud. An empty hansom was crawling along the curb a few paces from them.

"There's your hansom," she cried, laying her hand on the umbrella above his. He held on firmly.

"You'll let me drive you, of course?" he said.

"I'm not going to Piccadilly," she returned, hailing the cab, which quickened its pace toward them.

"But I can't leave you in the rain after you've been so kind."

"Let me have my umbrella please. My 'bus will pass in a minute."

"But——" He hesitated. Then instantly without quite knowing why, he yielded her the umbrella.

"Surely you will tell me to whom I am indebted?" he said, raising his hat and feeling in his waistcoat pocket for his card case.

"Good gracious!" she exclaimed with something very like a laugh. "That sort of thing is old-fashioned nowadays. Here's my 'bus; goodby!"

She vanished like a flash. He saw a vision of well-shod feet, a swirling skirt, a 'bus conductor's arm round a trim but sturdy waist, and a 'bus which skidded a little in the greasy mud, but never slowed its pace.

"'Ope yer don't warnt me to stop 'ere all di, sir?" said the voice of the cabman above his head.

"What the devil do you mean?" snarled Blake irritably. "I didn't call you!"

"No, but the lidy did," retorted the jehu with an inimitable grin.

Blake sprang into the hansom and clattered to the doors.

"Where to, sir?" said the man down the trap.

"Oxford Str——; no, I mean Piccadilly."

Who was she? What was she? Ah! l'eternel feminin!

Every base occupation makes one sharp in its practice, and dull in every other.—Sir Philip Sidney.

A merely fallen enemy may rise again, but the reconciled one is truly vanquished.—Schiller.

The great rule of moral conduct is, next to God, to respect time.—Lavater.

Practical Lessons in Jiu-Jitsu

The Japanese Physical Training

By ELIZABETH BEVEREDGE.

PART VII.

THE home life of the Japanese woman is without the complications which her American sister experiences. This helps her to avoid the state of "nerves" which is so frequently found in this country. Housekeeping is very simple in the land of the Rising Sun. There is almost no furniture to catch the dust and require cleaning and arrangement. There are no carpets. Beds are nothing more than a mat, which may be easily rolled up and put away. In place of heavy feather pillows with their cases which must be changed and washed so often, the Japanese girl pillows her head, or rather supports her neck, with a block of wood hollowed to fit or a little roll of matting. Even the houses themselves are alluringly easy to air and keep clean, since there are no permanent partitions, but only sliding screens of paper in bamboo frames.

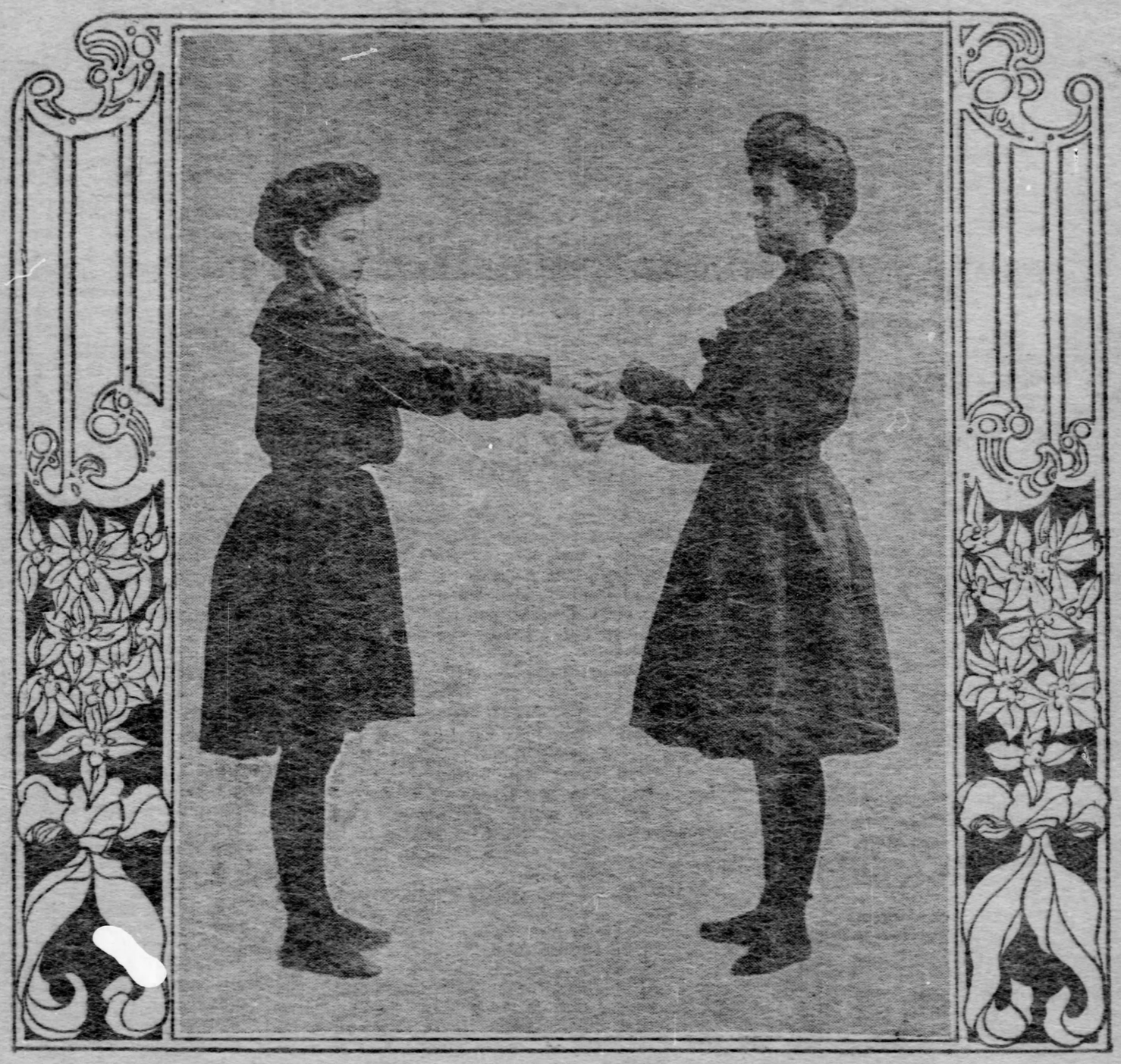
As for ornaments, the Japanese woman is quite content with one vase, holding a single spray of flowers, and she would consider half a dozen vases in one room a barbarous over-decoration. Moreover, there are no troubles with the dressmaker. When all one's clothes are cut on one pattern and may be bought already made, gone are all the trials of fitting and selection of trimming, etc. Even hairdressing is not done daily, and those elegant smooth coiffures when once arranged stay so for several days, or perhaps a week.

Cooking is not complicated. The principal dishes are rice and tea, and even the poorest have these. Those who are better off use a great deal of fish and vegetables, but meat eaters are well in the minority. Fruits are eaten, but they are apt to be liked much better green than properly ripe. The cooking is all done on a small charcoal stove, and the dishes used are very few. Tablecloths and napkins are unknown—save the paper serviette.

Taking all these things into consideration, one may easily see how the Japanese woman gains a repose and a freedom from wrinkles by the very simplicity of her life. Pastor Wagner need not preach the doctrines of "The Simple Life" to the Japanese. They already know them.

There are no parties and receptions which keep the women up late save where the customs of the western world are beginning to creep in. At 10 o'clock it is rare that one sees a woman on the streets of Japan save perhaps a belated servant or so hurrying home or someone called out on an unusual errand. At 11 the maids and matrons of Japan are sweetly sleeping. Therefore they are ready to rise refreshed and bright-eyed for the next day's work. Yet social pleasures are not lacking. Each Japanese woman after the evening meal bathes and smartens herself a trifle, and then, sometimes alone, but usually accompanied by her husband, goes out to meet her friends, and an hour or so of cheerful conversation and pleasant chat ensues among the animated groups.

With her housekeeping duties so light, it is strange that the Japanese woman should be so very strong physically, since one finds in most nations where the women have but little work a state of sloth and indolence prevails, bringing on excessive stoutness. But the Japanese woman, especially those of the lower classes, usually have some outside employment of the most vigorous character. Women stevedores are as frequently employed as men, and will carry a huge bale of merchandise or a basket of coal up the gangplank with apparent ease and very little effort. Their muscles are developed all over, and in the hands and arms they are especially strong. The Japanese lay little stress on the heavy muscles of the upper arm which are the delight of the American, but much prefer proper development of the forearm and wrist. The wrist may gain strength very quickly if properly exercised. One of the exercises for the quick development of the wrist is given in today's lesson. This is exercise No. 7 in the regular series and is not difficult either to learn or to practice.



Seventh Exercise in Jiu-Jitsu.

To take this wrist exercise the two pupils stand facing each other, the arms extended downward in front, with the hands about on a level with the waist. The palms are turned upward and the contestants clasp hands, interlacing the fingers, and the assailant's part is to twist the victim's hands a little upward but very decidedly over and outward, while the victim resists. The position is clearly shown in the accompanying illustration. After the assailant has twisted the victim's wrists outward as far as possible, she then endeavors to twist them inward, reversing the movement, while the victim again resists.

Another exercise which is of value to the whole arm, and therefore to the wrist also, is when the two contestants face each other, clasping either right or left hands—that is, the assailant's right hand clasps the victim's right hand, or vice versa. Then the assailant steps a little to the right side of the victim and brings the latter's hand up over the victim's head, twisting her over to the floor as far as possible. When the victim has bent as far as she can go she must acknowledge the defeat. When the victim tries to regain an erect posture the assailant must resist. Having tried the work with the right hands the left hands should be used.

Neither of the exercises given should be taken too vigorously, as a strain in the muscles may ensue from a jerky or sudden movement and the arm be sore for a long time. Never do the Jiu-Jitsu work beyond your strength, and never permit two pupils who are not pretty evenly matched to work together without certain restrictions being placed on the stronger of the two.

And now for an appeal to the American woman who is interested in the women of Japan. Lay aside some of the multitudinous cares which fret your soul and spirit. There is so much work that is unnecessary in this world. Let the bare floors and the few ornaments of the Japanese house make you ashamed of the rug you have to carry out and beat each week, when it takes all your strength and a great deal of your time, and the overcrowded mantel shelf and cabinets, filled with all sorts of worthless gimcracks which mean only care and time spent in dusting. No one admires them. Try to simplify your home and your home duties. One woman has adopted a good plan which may help some one. She puts away all save a few of her ornaments, and then every month or so changes them entirely. If you call on her at one time you will see a few pieces of beaten brass and a jar of some queer green pottery to hold flowers. Enter her house a six weeks later and there will be some blue-and-white old-fashioned bowls and a choice piece of clay modeling or perhaps a good bronze. Her home has only the essentials in furniture and there are no fringed and frilly table covers and lamp shades. She has tried to discard everything meaningless without letting her house look bare and cold. The result is a most restful harmony and a great saving of work to herself.

There are too many American Marthas. Household duties must be attended to, but a woman who makes a slave of herself to her house is doing a thankless task. Ere long she will reap a reward of wrinkles and weariness which she will not enjoy. She may even endanger her health seriously. Take the wisdom of the little brown women and apply it to your own case. We are so fond of calling the Japanese semi-barbarous that we have overlooked in large measure what things they could teach us. No nation is infallible. It would not be strange if the people of Dai Nippon laughed in their flowing sleeves to observe the intense superiority with which the American women observe them. Strength and health come with a simple and wholesome life. Happiness is largely dependent on health, and if you can take from your life any of the non-essentials you are adding to your ultimate happiness. Surely this is the way in which we all would like to go. If simplicity will do so much for the women of one nation, why may it not do much for the women of another?

WHEN we come to the question of hereditary transmission of disease we enter a subject upon which we find even among those best qualified to judge the widest diversity of opinion. We have heard claims that various diseases were transmitted by heredity—gout, rheumatism, heart disease, scrofula, tuberculosis and others. But the adherents of such ideas have either died off or been silenced by more competent thinking; so that now the list of diseases claimed to be hereditary is much smaller.

As a matter of fact it seems probable that there are no hereditary diseases—that what is transmitted by heredity is not the disease but the predisposition to that disease. Every disease is associated with the failure of some one organ—the lungs in pulmonary phthysis (consumption), the liver in jaundice, the kidneys in diabetes, and so on.

Now, just as through heredity we may have the transmission from father to son of a peculiarly shaped nose or extra fingers, so we may have transmitted small, weak lungs, undersized liver, or some other structural deficiency. When we find then that for five or six generations many members of a certain family have died of pulmonary phthysis it does not prove that consumption is hereditary or contagious. It does seem to show, however, that the tendency, the predisposition to consumption, in the form of small, insufficient lungs, has been peculiar to that family, just as small noses are peculiar to other families.

THERE are about two hundred automatic movements in public school children. City life tends to throw most of the work on small muscles. The best of all exercises is hill climbing. But the climax of all rhythm is in dancing. Not dancing as it is done today, but as it was done years ago. It has degenerated. We have the puritanical rancor to such a degree that we blind ourselves to the beauties of the barbarian dance. The two-step is vulgar but the Indian dances are expressions of the soul. It is a part of religion. Dancing expresses more than music or language. It should have a more prominent place in education. The whole instinct of play culminates in the dance. It is the expression of the soul.

Dancing is an indispensable adjunct to insane and nervine asylums. If a person is tired let him dance a minute. If he be apathetic give him something in faster time. Dancing is a therapeutic. The pace of thought is different in different individuals. Interesting experiments have been made in reaction time. The rate of thought is determinable. Thought is at first slow. Health means happiness. It is the best thing in the world. It is the highest joy to be alive. Nothing gives this feeling so much as the right kind of dancing. Dancing is enlarging the horizon of consciousness. A mind may contain 64 different impressions. We cannot see why our Swedish friends go through their exercises without music. Let us have happiness with exercise. There is nothing that increases the volume of gray matter in the brain like dancing.

A SINGLE complete human life is a rhythm. Plato said life should be at its best at 49. Before that evolution, after it devolution. The more we know of thought, the more we find it distinctly a rhythm. We think by leaps and jumps, much as a cartwheel without a rim traveling along on the ends of spokes. There are distinct stepping stones. We go from one image to another. There is little mental continuity. Children live in senses. Science consists in eliminating shock. That may be called the definition of science. There is a theory that the cells of the brain are separated by a shock and the connection is broken. This theory is not valid, however. Precision must be aimed at. Nothing is a science unless you can make a table of constants. Facts must be continuous, controlled. Thought is no more steady than the muscular tension. The things most sympathetically attuned to outside influence are the muscles. There is no change in the mental state that is not expressed by change in muscular tonicity.

A FALL from the CLOUDS

by Rupert Hughes

ME? I'M AN AERONAUT BY TRADE.

I come by it honest—my love of adventure, I mean. Adventure with a capital A. My father was a bogus Italian count. His father was the son of a famous brigand, and his death earned him the only decent wages he ever seen in all his born days. And he didn't see them. They were a big, immense fortune he never laid eyes on and never enjoyed, except by proxy, and that's no way to enjoy your own wages.

As I was a-telling you, adventure was my birthright and I haven't never sold it for no bowl of potash. But if I'm going to give any sort of a outline of my life in a decent space I've gotter be blunt. I'm a busy man, I am, and I s'pose you are, too; as if they're any holes in the story the chinks'll have to depend on your imagination for what filling they get.

If you've heard of anything you've heard of the Bean will case. My poor father was the cause of all them complications. With the usual speed of the American courts in settling up wills and things, the money he saved and his son spent his life trying to collect was still tied up when the second generation come on the scene. That's me. I'll tell you all about it, though I ain't none of your literary sharps. I'm an aeronaut by trade.

You see, it was at Pisa, that Dago town, more famous for its lopsided tower than for anything else. The railway there, as you may have heard tell, runs underground for some distance. One day, years and years ago, my grandpa and William Bean, the millionaire contractor of Chicago, was riding through this tunnel on the same train—but not in the same class.

Just at this moment, as fate would have it, one of them earthquakes that keep Italian life from growing too monotonous like come like a regular tidal wave of earth and rock helitysplit across Pisa. Down came the whole roof of the tunnel, kerslam. Everybody on the train was scrunched to death except two men.

After the first shock, in the thick gloom—even the engine was buried and its fires smothered, all but a few glowing coals—them two men managed to extercate themselves. Neither of them knew the other's existence till, a-crawling and a-groping so silent like along the low walls, all of a suddent they touched hands in the dark. Both screamed in terror, each thinking the other was some horrible being or a ghoul. One man's hand run to his stilletto, the other man's reached for his pistol.

Then one cried "Chi c'e!" It was my Italian grandpa, and both his legs were crushed. The other answered with a heavy foreign voice, "Io sono Americano." It was the Chicagoan, unhurt only for a few bruises. He spoke Italian with a broad accent, but, to tell the truth, he spoke it about as good as my grandfather, who wasn't any of your grammatical fellows. They understood each other, though, and swapped cuss words over the holycaust they were mixed up in. The last groans of the dying still made the place unpleasant. The glare of the flames blazing round the splintered timbers made it possible, when their eyes had growed used to the gloom, to make out the size of their dungeon.

"I have had a lot of experience as a builder," said the Chicagoan, "and I guess that little parlor contains jest about as many cubic feet of air as will keep us two alive, say two hours and a half."

"The Virgin save us!" coughed my grandfather, half choked on dust and smoke.

"Two hours and a half to live!" the Chicagoan drawled on, more in disgust than fear. "They'll never dig us out in that time. If we was only one, and had twice the time, they might git here."

Bean, like most Yankees, was cute on schemes. He wanted to live. He saw one hope. If he could only just eke out that there measly little allowance of air till somebody came! Here he was divvying all his chances with this mortally wounded beggar who couldn't live many hours at best. If the wretch was only out of the way. The Chicagoan's hand went around to his pistol again. But he couldn't kill a fellow being. To us Americans everything can be expressed in dollars and cents. So Bean was soon saying to my grandfather, in Italian: "Lookie here, old man, it is utterly impossible for both of us to get out of here alive. There is some chance for one of us, a dam faint chance for one of us, if the other'n quits breathing this here precious air."

My grandfather, who had been thinking the same thing, pulled his stiletto for defense. But the Yankee took out his pistol kind of careless like, and mumbled on: "Now, I'm a rich man and I ain't hurt a bit. You are poor and—to be blunt, old man—you couldn't live the day out anyway. Well, if you have any children or a wife that your death will rob of support, you may be interested in a little proposition I'm a-going to make you. Money is no object to me except for the fun of making it. If I go out of here a beggar, I can get a start again somehow. Anybody will back Bill Bean for his whole pile. But if I die here like a stuck pig I may go out rich, but my jig is up. Comprendete voi?

"Now, sir, lookie here. Don't jump, but listen. If you'll just gently put yourself out, I'll make a will in your favor, which will leave your children worth $25,000,000. A hundred and twenty-five millions lire, understandete voi? I'll make a will that can't be broke, and write it now."

"Will you swear?" gasped my grandfather after thinking a long while and breathing a lot more of that expensive air.

"On a flock of Bibles," blurted out the Yankee.

We haven't got no more time than they had for dilly-dallying, and the bargain was soon struck. The will was written in a notebook with an indelible pencil. My poor, noble grandfather then bound the American by all the oaths he could think of or make up, simply opened two arteries in his mangled legs, and commended his soul to the Virgin, and clasped the will to his heart, and—and—quit. He was a Dago, but he died grand.

The Yankee, now penniless, put out the fires still smouldering, for fear they'd breathe too much oxygen. Then he sat down to wait. There the excavators found him next day, dead as a door nail, and a beggar to boot. Near him in rags lay the peasant, just as dead, but rich.

"We were farther from the earth than the very clouds."

In his hand he held a paper which was recognized by someone as English script and turned over to the American consul, who notified everybody interested.

The paper ran as follows:

To whom it may concern.

I, William Bean, being of sound mind and body, and without wife or children, do hereby transfer to Paolo Cherebusco and his heirs and assigns, forever, my entire possessions, real and personal, my stocks, bonds, deposits, insurance, lands, houses, furniture—everything that is mine. This transfer is made in partial payment of the debt of gratitude I owe him because he is about to sacrifice his life to try to save mine. I may never leave this place alive, and I have not been able to have legal aid or attestation, but this paper represents my last wishes, and may God's curse follow the greedy wretches that try to frustrate them.

Done near Pisa, Italy, June 18, 1876.

(Signed.) WILLIAM BEAN.

This was the famous Bean will. It kicked up a great sensation everywhere. The long waiting and numerous distant relatives of William Bean wouldn't believe it. My father's children could not believe it. The Bean gang put the matter into the hands of lawyers. They wasn't afraid of no dead man's cuss-words. Our folks was fairly overrun by speculators who offered to fight on our side and to back the game to a finish in return for a percentage of the gate receipts.

The suit begun some years before I was borned. The way it was knocked about like a baseball, from lower court to higher and back, now won by their party, now by ours, till almost all the original litigants was dead, is for lawyers to tell. It will do for me to say that when I come of age I fell heir to twenty-five millions and interest for several years, and besides that the costs of numerous trials, and interests on the costs, and compound interest on the interest on the costs, and so on—that is to say, I fell heir to a fighting chance for the estate, and just as good a chance to stay pauper.

Before my grandfather's death my father had already come to America to deal in fruits on a small scale. A born mimic and a snob, and handsome to boot, he decided to pose as an Italian nobleman in distress. This was in the days before the American heiress had been fooled often enough to be on to the game, so he hadn't any difficulty in palming himself off. He finally married himself to a fortune, with an encumbrance of 175 pounds—viz., the daughter of a prominent politician. She was of Irish extraction and French ambition. So I was named Francois O'Hoolihan Cherebusco. Wouldn't that jar you? Ain't that a beauty of a handle to have riveted on you?

Soon after my father settled down to smoke the city's cigars and drink champagne, paid for unconscious by the state, a very unlucky reform movement swept over the town, and my father's father-in-law found himself on the wrong side of the party fence and at the same time on the wrong end of the stock market see-saw. Thus my poor father was thrown out of the rocking chair of ease to the hard ground of poverty. The nightmare of having to work for his living came and camped out on his chest. He was only rescued from the horrible ordeal by the news of the fortune that had been willed to him. From that time on he was kept in comfort by the syndicate of lawyers, who fortunately worked in a state where laws against what they call "champerty and maintenance" was not in force.

When my father had spent his life without settling the case, he died and willed it to me.

And now at last I've got to myself. The syndicate backing our family decided to give the suit just one more trial on my account. They finally got it starting like a kite, and it soared beautiful till it got caught in some high branches of technicality. There it stuck for years.

In the meanwhile I was hard put to it for self-support. The syndicate drew the line at maintaining me. So, being heir to an adventuresome spirit, I turned to the liveliest livelihood I could find—parachuting. I need not describe my business methods here. You have all saw me or some of my contemptible imitators risking our lives to give country folk the luxury of saying, "Waal, I'll be hornswoggled!"

Now, it fell out that when I fell out one day at a western county fair I had floated a mile or so before I came swooping to earth, all so gentle and fine. I lit just at the foot of a great big tree, and there I found a beautiful girl sleeping as wholesome as one of them tree nymphs you read about.

The shock of my fall wakened her, and—I wish I had time to describe her surprise and her admiration at the sight of me—for I was all in tights and spangles and gay colors; besides, I have always been counted kind of well put together.

All I can say is that she helped me unharness myself from my parachute and helped me find my balloon, which was so weighted as to turn and follow me down without drifting far, and that she helped me to find a teamster to drive me back to the town; and then she helped me invite myself to call; and I gave up some other engagements to be near her.

Both the Irish and Italians is quick lovers. Me being both, I went into love at a double quick. Before long I proposed to her, and she—God bless her!—had somehow loved me at first sight and wasn't ashamed to say so. So we said we'd hitch.

Now, I was doing my aeronautics under an assumed name and thought I would not tell her till we marched to the altar that I might some day have my millions.

Strange enough to say, so many heirs had been contesting the Bean will that I had long lost track of them. Besides, I never could remember nor associate names. So when I learned that my betrothed was named Nelly Gray it never dawned on me that she was the latest claimant to my millions and had the strongest of all the rival suits.

Nelly had sort of a cousin who was next to her in succession to my money. His name was Launt Jones. He was one of them kind of people that put poison in their parents' tea and wait 'round a corner with a sand bag for wealthy neighbors. For money he would do anything, providing it was underhand, sneaking behind the back. Though he pretended to be a friend to Nelly, he thought she was only an obstacle to immense wealth. He only waited a safe chance to put her out of the way.

It is easy to see these things now. But then he was slick enough to pull the wool over our eyes.

When Nelly's guardeen opposed her marriage to me, only an acrobat, this obliging cuss of a cousin whispered to us, "Why don't you elope in your balloon? I'll help you."

Nelly was spunky and willing to defy her guardeen. Being of a venturesome spirit, she jumped at the idea of a honeymoon in a balloon. She wrote a little pome about it. I seen many objections, but, being young and hotheaded, was glad to avenge the insult her guardeen had heaped on me—on a son of aristocracy; that is, bogus aristokercy. Me, the heir to millions—to get.

So we set the day for our sky-high elopement. I made some necessary repairs in my balloon. Launt was officious to a fault, and thrust all sorts of assistance on me. He kept asking questions, too. If I'd had a grain of sense I'd of suspicioned something.

The last night before our voyage I had everything in shipshape and at midnight we turned a stream of gas from a nearby main into the silk. I went away then to get my things, and didn't see Launt fasten to the top of the balloon a little clockwork affair set to go off in nine hours, and release a little knife and weight to slit the silk from peak to mouth. When I got back the inflation had lifted the top above my sight.

At about sunrise the balloon was wabbling and bunting and anxious like to get away. I fastened the parachute on proper and seen that it was free from anything to stop it from opening if we should have to use it—as I prayed heaven we should not. Then I hurried away to get my sweetheart, leaving Launt to protect the latest steed of the young—young—you know—that fellow that "come out of the west." And dear old Launt he employed his time in wrapping a piece of telegraph wire around the edge of the parachute, so that no column of air could possibly pry in to open it.

I found Nelly waiting for me on the front porch. Her guardeen's snore was the only benediction he gave us. But we were glad to hear him playing his trombone; it kept him out of mischief. Nelly's Saratoga consisted of a handbag. Grabbing it and a kiss at the same time, I hurried her through the village, where the roosters and dogs was making dawn hideous.

Nelly had chained up her favorite dog, but he seen her go, and set up such a kayoodie we knowed would wake the old man, so we hustled into the balloon basket right away.

I was about to take a last look at my parachute when Launt assured me everything was just as I left it. We slipped our moorings, waved him "So long," and let the earth fall away below us.

Of course, Nelly at once begun remembering forgotten things, but we could not put back safely to terra cotta. The fresh morning wind, though, dragged us just over the roof of her guardeen's house. The dog must have woke him, for I seen his face for a moment at the window and he was so startled that we might have hung a hat on his eyeballs. We waved him a proper good-by, however, and then forgot all people, places and worriments on earth.

We thought only of each other and the heaven we was swimming for. Our big private yacht of the air-ocean clumb and clumb till, when we finally spared a moment's glance back to earth it seemed so little and useless that we give it only one look, contemptuous like. The wind had died away now and we went up and up with hardly any drift. Finally we slipped through a few thin white clouds like a ship pushes through a woolly fog, only I said it was Nelly's bridal veil. I've got a bit of pottery in my soul as well as the next fellow.

Finally I spunked up and told her that I was the rightful heir of Bean's twenty-five millions. Then she told me she was the rightful heiress. Well, you'd 'adied to see us look at each other. And then we might have quarreled and throwed each other out, but we thought we better kiss and hold each other in. We decided we would settle the great Bean case right there out of court, and we nearly fought again because I insisted that she'd otter have all the fortune, and she insisted it all was

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LITTLE POEMS OF GREATER PITTSBURGH

Number Fifty.

Anastasia, the Lady Kleptomaniac

Miss Anastasia Parlington is troubled by a craze
For souvenirs of many kinds; 'twill be her ruin yet.
'Twould fill her pious forbears with the wildest of amaze
To see the way she lays her hands on all that she can get.
Indeed, and you must credit it, though this seems past belief,
With silver from the restaurants she is a perfect THIEF.

She has a choice collection of most every kind of fork,
And spoons and sugar tongs and butter knives and things like these
From almost every restaurant from Pittsburgh to New York.
Nut picks and cordial glasses, and a scoop for Cheshire cheese.
She'll drop the latest novel, or a new modiste's confection,
If she can only add a piece or two to her collection.

Now Mr. Harry Graham is an honest man and good,
Also he likes Miss Parlington, and loves to trot her out,
And take her to the theater—but be it understood
He'd never had an inkling—no, he never had found out
Her awful weakness; till one night when they'd been to the play,
He took her for some supper at the Union, so they say.

And when they reached the table, Miss Anastasia glanced
Upon the shining silver and the little coffee pot—
The monograms were fine and new, her spirit was entranced;
She slipped a fork into her sleeve and said; "Oh, say, why not
Just sneak the coffee pot beneath your overcoat? It's such
A nice design, and looks so good, and primitive, and Dutch."

But Harry is an honest man, as I before have said,
He looked at Anastasia till that lady hung her head.
And then "I'll buy them for you if you want them, but I fear
It is not right and proper for to steal these things, my dear!"
And far, far worse than whooping cough, or prickly heat or mumps,
Were Anastasia's feelings as she got these moral bumps.

THE TATLER.

A FALL FROM THE CLOUDS.

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coming to me. Finally we compromised on equal division, and sealed it with a red seal.

We was in the right place to build air castles and we spent hours in laying up gorgeous Spanish real estate for the future. Then the sun begun to beat on us terrible hot—it was nearly 9 o'clock and we wusn't in the shadow of the balloon. So I said we should eat a little breakfast and then go back closer to the earth. We was beyond pursuit by this time, and she said we must look for a town where we could anchor at some church steeple and have a minister sent up on a kite to marry us.

We was higher than I had ever went before, and our spirits went on up. I was feeling out of sight, I tell you. We seemed only children playing lovers in a garret. After nibbling at a little breakfast, I was just thinking we'd better get down where the air was a little firmer, and I was just reaching to pull the valve that lets out the gas when I heard a sharp hiss. I knew it meant the silk was rippin', to the aeronaut that is the rattlesnake's warning. Thanks to getting kind of caught in one of the meshes of the netting Launt's infernal machine give us a moment's warning before its weight freed it and started it down again.

I had jumped like I was shot out of a cannon into the harness I always wear to keep the oscillations of the falling parachute from shaking me loose. I was afraid of some emergency and I had added a strap for the waist of Nelly.

I had just time to buckle her close to me when Launt's knife was shook loose again and come slashing through the silk with a regular shriek.

I give one yell to Nellie, "Jump with me!" and I wrenched loose my parachute just before the crumpling balloon could smother us, and we plunged into space.

Whew! what a drop! It went to your stomach! We was farther from the earth than the very clouds themselves.

Hundreds of feet we shot through pure air—like plummets. I had expected that. In my business the first lunge had always to be endured before the parachute opened like an umbrella.

When you're used to falling a mile or more the little moments of time are appreciated. I felt before long that I had fell twice as far as usual and that our velocity was still on the increase. My eyes shot up to our one salvation, the parachute. Great God of heaven! it hadn't begun to open! It wasn't going to open! The wire held it!

Nelly had already swounded. My cold white lips touched her cold white forehead. I give her one last kiss. Even if we had been sounding the bottomless pit death would have got us in the awful rush. Ten thousand years in a second, and at the end of it—there was the solid earth in the way—and we, her in her beauty and me in all my health and strength, what would we be? Pulp! I cast one glance below and found everything black and swimming before my eyes. Then I fainted away in the midst of a prayer for God's mercy.

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When we sailed from the good old earth, of course we hadn't no suspicion of Launt's villainy. His plan had been a stroke of genius. By 9 o'clock we was sure to be far enough in the air to make death from a fall certain. Our disappearance with the balloon and Nelly's farewell note would prove our elopement. When our bodies was found, if we could be recognized at all, everyone would think it was plain enough that we had fell from the clouds.

The knife, after slitting the silk through, would drop away from it, and the wire about the parachute would seem to be due to my carelessness. The inquest would be at once "Death by accident." Nobody would look no further and Launt would enter into his fortune all peaceful and respectable.

But the most absolutely certain thing in human life ain't so blame certain after all.

Nelly and me hadn't thought much of the dying away of the morning breeze. The fading of the fluffy clouds hadn't been nothing unusual. We had felt that the glare and the heat of the sun was only uncomfortable, we

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How Lady Gowan Was Entertained

By Jeanette Cooper

"I HEARD YOUR VOICE," HE SAID, "SO I JUST CAME AROUND"

"SHE LEANED AGAINST THE DOORPOST AND BROKE INTO HYSTERICAL LAUGHTER"

I KNEW when we let Amy go abroad that we were laying up trouble for ourselves."

Kate was scribbling away furiously as she spoke, tucked up at one end of the hammock, a block of paper on her knees and a stubby pencil between her first two fingers.

Mrs. Baily, the sister from Omaha, who was accused by the others of having social aspirations, spoke persuasively:

"Now, Kit," she said, "you wouldn't want the Radcliffes to monopolize Lady Gowan"—and then there was a shout of laughter, in which she joined, for the Radcliffes might have basked in the exclusive light of Lady Gowan's society forever without objection on Kit's part.

"It will be for only one afternoon," suggested Mrs. Osborne; while Amy put her pretty head down on the cherished manuscript and said: "But, Kit, they were nice to me in London," which settled it.

And just then Mildred Radcliffe came across the lawn.

Mildred always crossed the lawn instead of going around by the walk. She could quite see herself as a slender, white-robed figure moving under the greenery. Mildred oscillated between the esthetic and the conventional, and just now, in spite of the picturesque passage across the grass, the conventional was in the ascendant. She wore a gentle smile, and was trying hard to keep excited self-importance out of her tone.

"Lady Gowan and her son arrived this evening!" she said. "The Burtons gave them a letter to us, you know."

They did know, having heard it from each member of the Radcliffe family.

"I don't see why they want to come to this stupid little place," she went on after a polite murmur from Mrs. Osborne; "I am afraid the Burtons have made us out a more interesting family than we claim to be."

"Impossible!" sotto voce from the boy to his nearest cousin.

"Of course, we shall do what we can. I want you to come over tomorrow afternoon, Amy. They will probably remember you."

"Perhaps," said Amy modestly.

"Remember her?" echoed the boy. "Do you suppose anyone could forget her? In my opinion—"

"Don't notice him, Mildred," interrupted Amy gently; "he babbles." At which ungrateful remark he tipped her chair forward and slid her gently to the porch floor.

"You are the most unconventional family," said Miss Radcliffe in a tone that plainly meant undignified. "If I bring Lady Gowan here to call, you'll have to promise to behave," with a little laugh to temper the severity of her rebuke.

"Don't worry, Mildred," Mrs. Osborne hastened to forestall any remark from Kate. "I am going to send Jack home if he isn't good. He was invited to stay only during good behavior."

"Then he ought to have gone home before he came," said Amy, smiling up at the tall young cousin.

"The son is only plain Mr. Gowan, you know."

"Thank you so much." Kate could not be suppressed any longer. "I was unsettled as to whether I should address him as 'Your Lordship' or 'Sire.'"

"Good boy! At him again!" whispered Jack, applaudingly.

"I hope you'll wear your blue, Amy. It looks more elegant than just muslin, and English people are so—"

"Exactly!" began Kate; but Mrs. Osborne tossed a rose she had been holding into her sister's lap, and Kate relapsed into silence. As Jack said, Marion always had something ready to throw at the family genius. Under the circumstances he felt called upon to speak.

"We are going to look over our things this afternoon," he began in a loud, cheerful tone, "and fit the poor girl out. I've a pair of galluses the cook gave me last Christmas—blue embroidered—just the thing to catch a noble eye."

"Must you go, Mildred?" murmured Mrs. Osborne, as the guest arose in the midst of Jack's eloquence.

"Yes, I've a dozen things to do. I shall expect you at 4, Amy, in your blue," and with a graceful inclination Miss Radcliffe departed.

"Really, I think we shall have to drop Mildred," said Jack, sinking wearily into the hammock, and upsetting Kate's papers and plans. "She doesn't belong."

"I should like to entertain those people nicely," said Marion, apropos of nothing.

"Something simple, but choice," supplemented Betty.

"Something to mark the contrast between the old families of the town and the nouveaux riches," assented Jack with his cheerful smile.

"What sort of woman is Lady Gowan, Amy?"

"Not a bit snobbish; that is about all I know. May Jones says she is very sentimental—likes Miss Braddon, and revels in people's love affairs. At the same time she doesn't want any girl to look at her son."

"Her son is plain Mr. Gowan, you know," interjected Jack.

"She is rather an imposing old lady, but the son is very friendly and jolly."

"Did you look at her son?" reproved Jack.

"Only occasionally," laughed Amy. "Go and make some lemonade, Jack, while your elders prepare to entertain the Gowans."

Amy was on the side porch the next morning washing out some lace ruffles for the afternoon's muslin and singing "Bonnie Dundee."

Suddenly around the big syringa bush that screened her from the street appeared a young man.

"I heard your voice," he said, "so I just came around. You don't mind, do you?"

Amy gave an involuntary glance at the faded blue calico that clothed her youthful form.

"No-o, I think not," she said, blushing a trifle and devoutly wishing she had not sung so loud.

"Your tone is doubtful, and you have not offered to shake hands. Therefore I must go away," and he seated himself upon the top step and looked up at her with a satisfied expression.

He was a good-looking youth, broad-shouldered and straight-featured, with the girl's complexion that nature bestows on both sexes indiscriminately in the British isles.

"We are stopping at the top of the street," he said, watching her interestedly as she rinsed her laces and sat down beside him to pull them dry.

"I suppose you mean that you are staying at the end of the street."

"In your patois, yes. In English, pure and undefiled, we are stopping at the top of the street."

Amy laughed.

"It is quite too warm to teach you your mother tongue in half an hour," she said.

He opened his eyes.

"What put that idea into your head?" he demanded.

"What idea?"

"That I am remaining only half an hour. I assure you I had no other engagement for the day."

"But I have," she laughed.

"Have you really?" regret in his tone.

"Yes; I am invited this afternoon to Miss Radcliffe's to meet Lady Gowan and Mr. Gowan."

"Jove! I had forgotten," with a glance at her as sufficient explanation. "But, I say, you're not going to make me go away in half an hour ecause of a garden party at 4 o'clock. There's a good bit of time before that, and the mater—by Jove, there is the mater! Two to nothing she's coming here."

"How does she know?" began Amy, but her voice died away. The portly dame in black and rustling attire was already at the gate. Now she was going up the walk to the front porch, and Kate was on the front porch, copying one of the tales that she sent out so hopefully and received back so philosophically. Kate was quite capable of not recognizing nobility when it interrupted the flow of genius. It was a dilemma. Young Gowan, with amusement on his features, was watching Amy.

A long pause followed, while Amy listened anxiously and her companion kept his eyes on her pretty, perplexed face with evident enjoyment.

Presently:

"Yes, it is much pleasanter here in the garden, isn't it?" said Lady Gowan, and she and Kate came across the lawn and sat down in the rustic chairs before the syringa bush. "You Americans are so keen about your piazzas; now, at home we like better just sitting in the garden." She leaned back and untied her bonnet strings. "Don't trouble to call Miss Palmer now; she is busy, I dare say."

"Isn't she, though?" whispered her ladyship's son, but the whisper sounded alarmingly loud in the stillness, and Amy's imploring face impelled him to silence.

"You are younger than Miss Palmer?"

"Yes." Kate was thinking of her novel, and wondering if there was any possibility of relief. Conversation was not Kate's strong point.

"It is odd she has not married. She is quite a beauty."

"Worried about plain Mr. Gowan," thought Kate. "I must quiet her mind."

"I hardly think Amy will ever marry," she said.

"Ah!" said Lady Gowan, sympathetic interest in her tone. "Has she been crossed in love?" which expression almost proved Kate's undoing, and caused Amy to look anywhere except at the young man beside her.

"He died," sighed Kate, thinking what fun it would be to tell Jack about it.

"And she still mourns, poor dear! How sweet!"

"Don't you like the smell of the syringas?" Kate essayed to return to the paths of truth, but her ladyship would have none of it.

"How did it happen, my dear?" she inquired, with that frank desire to attend to other people's affairs while keeping one's own undisturbed that is so delightfully British.

"Gracious, why doesn't someone come?" thought Kate.

"He was killed," she said.

"Ah, poor young man! And how was he killed, my dear Miss Palmer?"

"It's a strange story," said Kate, pensively.

Lady Gowan was gazing with flattering attention at the raconteuse. "She is having a good time," thought that unveracious young person, "and Amy wanted her to have a good time."

"It happened in Wyoming. Amy was spending the summer there on a ranch. The man she—she cared for (the love passages in Kate's stories were always brief) used to ride out from the town on horseback. Part of the way lay through a canyon about which the cowboys told strange tales. Dead Man's canyon, it was called."

"Gruesome name!" shuddered her listener.

"I don't know that I ought to tell this." Kit's conscience was imperfectly subjugated.

"Oh, my dear young lady, I shall, of course, never mention it. Your poor sister! So young, too! Pray go on."

"Well," continued Sapphira, "one evening when they were expecting him he failed to come; and in the night a black storm came up in the foothills where the ranch lay. Amy was lying awake, listening to the wind roaring in the pines, when she heard a horse gallop into the yard."

Kate was now enjoying herself. Amy was not. She tried to convey the true state of affairs to Mr. Gowan by a glance, but he had stopped looking at her and was staring at the back fence with an intensity that the beauty of the fence did not warrant, so she put both hands over her ears to shut out Kate's ridiculous tale. When she removed them Kate was saying impressively:

"Something horribly cold sprang on his horse, behind him. He knew no more till he recovered consciousness in the ranch house, to find Amy bending over him."

"And he died?"

An instant's hesitation between death and insanity ended in favor of the former.

"Yes; he lived only long enough to tell his story."

Mr. Gowan ceased from his contemplation of the fence and turned to Amy with British determination in his blue eyes.

"Is it true?" he said.

She shook her head, and then, careless of consequences and a family in dishabile, rose and fled to the dining room.

Mr. Gowan closed the door carefully behind him, and then, with relieved amusement in his gaze, confronted the flushed young woman, who stood in the middle of the room, grasping a chair back for support, while she tried to explain that her sister had been telling his mother a most inexcusable and baseless romance.

"I am partly to blame," she said, scarlet with embarrassment, but doubly trying to shield her erring sister. "I told her that—that Lady Gowan was—liked love stories, and Kate knew that none of us were presentable, and she tried to entertain her. It was too dreadful of Kate."

She was really pathetic, and the smile in his eyes changed to sympathy. He moved nearer and opened his lips to speak comforting words, when, just at this point, Jack's voice was heard outside of the dining room windows, talking to Mrs. Baily.

"Ye gods, Betty," he said, "it was great! I didn't think Kit had it in her. I was on the piazza roof, and I nearly rolled off. You see, Kit wasn't going to have the dowager worry about Amy capturing her son, so she settled Amy with a broken heart."

"It was dreadful," said Mrs. Baily. "How could Kate! Has Lady Gowan gone?"

"Yes. Where's Amy? I've got to tell her." And Jack and Betty appeared at the side door just as Kate burst in from the hall.

"Oh, Amy!" she cried, and then stopped aghast.

Amy stood, a figure of tragedy in blue calico, still grasping her chair-back and glared with reproachful woe at the newcomer. Betty and Jack supported each other in the opposite doorway. Kate saw them as in a dream; but what held her fascinated gaze was the tall, broad-shoulder, fresh-colored, unmistakably English, strange young man in the center of the room. How had he come there? Where had he been? Why did everyone look so strange?"

"Where?" she gasped.

"We were on the side porch," said Tragedy, icily.

The whole scene flashed upon Kate's vision—herself telling Amy's thrilling romance, while Amy and her Englishman sat perforce and heard it. A struggle was visible on her saucy little brown face; penitence looked from her eyes; then the corners of her mouth went up, and she leaned against the doorpost and broke into hysterical laughter.

Jack's boyish roar chimed in, and at that, with an apologetic glance at Amy, Mr. Gowan gave way to ill-tuned mirth. Betty was smiling broadly. Amy flashed one glance around, and then saved her dignity by sweeping out of the room with as much empressment as a too-brief blue calico would allow.

"I—I am ashamed," gasped Kate, finally, wiping her eyes and looking truly remorseful. "I don't know how I could have been so dreadful, Mr. Gowan; but I got into it, and then I couldn't stop, she was so—so nice and sympathetic."

He nodded appreciatively; it was evident that he was quite without any proper feeling of resentment.

"I know," he said, smiling at Kate with a friendliness she did not deserve. "The mater does love a romance."

"It was inexcusably rude," said Mrs. Baily, severely.

"It was, Betty; I realize it." Kit was now sufficiently doleful to have satisfied her offended sister.

"It was the jolliest thing I ever heard," declared Mr. Gowan. "Don't you worry, Miss Kate; I'll never tell the mater you were chaffing. It was very nice and clever of you to be so entertaining."

"Just wait till you get Amy's opinion of your niceness and cleverness, Miss Kit," said Jack, darkly.

The tender, confidence-inviting sympathy with which Lady Gowan treated Amy that afternoon was a source of deep joy to her son. He tried to catch the bereaved damsel's eye, but she firmly ignored his efforts. Inwardly, she was divided between mirth and wrath. Mildred was nonplussed at the amount of attention which her English guests bestowed upon Miss Palmer, who had worn muslin, after all, and presented a very undistinguished appearance. She, herself, wore a New York gown and manners to correspond. She wondered afterward whether a picture hat and a sweet unconventionality would have been better.

Mr. Gowan walked home with Amy, refusing a seat in the carriage with his mother and Mildred.

"We leave tomorrow," he said, regretfully, trying to see the face under the big black hat. Only a round chin and a pair of red lips were visible, and the lips murmured a polite assent and settled into a firm red line. It was not encouraging, but he was English.

"I shall come back before I sail."

"Indeed!"

"Oh, I say, Miss Palmer," he protested, "I think I've been punished enough. Won't you please be nice and friendly, as you were in London?"

She laughed and melted, turning her smiling face up to her companion.

"You ought to cut us all," she said, "if you had a sense of your duty."

He bent his tall head.

"You know why I came here, Amy, don't you?" he said.

But Amy did not, so he told her, lingering at the gate to finish the story, which took a long time in the telling, because the black hat drooped so that he could not see how the tale was being received.

He waited in anxious silence when he had done. The late sun slanted under the maples and shone on the slender, motionless figure in the white gown. Jack's voice could be heard singing lustily a stave of "Bonnie Dundee."

"What would Lady Gowan say?" she said, lifting troubled eyes to his. It wasn't much of an answer, but there was something in the eyes beside the trouble, and he took possession of her hands in happy certainty.

"She may be a bit surprised, under the circumstances," he said with a laugh in his eyes, "but she is sure to love you, dear, because you are mine, and because no one could possibly help it."

A SUNDAY BY THE SEA

Being the Fetching Tale of a Young Man, a Week-End Visit and Its Dire Consequences.

By MARGARET SILL WILLIAMS.

SATURDAY.

THIRTY-TWO eyes looked up from sixteen cups of coffee as he entered the breakfast room.

He stumbled slightly over the mat.

Then the 32 eyes dropped politely, for the Bellevue Select Boarding House is very select. His flushes cooled, and he took his chair while the landlady smiled.

She was the only married woman present.

He was the only unmarried man—at present.

He smiled nervously, and glanced round.

The grammar says there are only three degrees—good, better, and best. That is all wrong. If the little girl with adorable freckles and a pink blouse were good-looking, the one in the fascinating design and the bangled wrists better-looking, and the five feet ten inches of athletic attractiveness best-looking, what could be said of the Dana Gibson beauty who after the first glance refixed her attention on the breakfast?

And there were many others.

Also there were papas, but they do not belong to the story.

SATURDAY EVENING.

"Pretty little pansy faces," sang the pierrots.

"How badly they sing," said the freckles and the pink blouse. "Shall we walk to the other end of the esplanade?"

"Is it quieter there?" he asked. "You see, I don't know the place yet."

"Much quieter," said the pink blouse. "Hardly anyone goes there."

"Those pierrots are certainly rather a bore," he admitted.

They went.

Behind them curved the esplanade, a pearl necklace of electric lamps. Before them lay the moonlight. The sea glittered coolly, and the wash and backwash of the wavelets sounded like the slow breathing of a light sleeper.

He sighed twice, with deliberation.

She sighed once.

"I wish I were you," he murmured.

"Why?" asked the pink blouse, with sudden interest.

"Because then I would be so nice to me," he said, with a little tremor of nervousness. "You see I am all alone here."

Pink blouse laughed lightly. "There are lots of nice people at our boarding-house. You will soon know them all."

"Do you think I shall?" he asked, thinking of the Gibson beauty.

"Oh, I suppose so," said pink blouse, moving four inches away. "Hadn't we better go back?"

"Why? It's much nicer here. I love to watch the moonlight on the water. Doesn't it make you feel as if that silver path led into another world—a 'married, a live-happy-ever-afterwards sort of place?'"

"You are looking toward France," said the pink blouse.

He started.

"Have you ever been to Paris?" she asked. "I have heard so much about it."

"Not very often," he said.

"I suppose you quite fell in love with it."

"Yes, the Arc de Triomphe is very beautiful," he remarked, absently.

Their eyes met. "I am horribly cold," she said.

Ten seconds later: "By Jove, yes, your hands are cold; don't you think if I held them"—etc., etc.

SUNDAY MORNING, 10 O'Clock.

Thirty eyes looked with increased interest at the young man as he took off his serviette. Two looked down demurely. They belonged to the freckles and the pink blouse.

"The Gibson girl" even smiled. She glanced first at him and then at the pink blouse.

An afterthought struck him. "Has she told?"

He determined to make sure. His chance came later in the morning, when both were seated on the awninged balcony.

She was at one end.

He was at the other.

There were ten yards of desert balcony between.

Her attractions were sighted up to 500 yards; at this point-blank range they were fatal.

A sunbeam peeped round a corner of the awning, and fell full across his face. He was positively compelled to move his chair—in the direction of the Gibson girl.

He moved it two yards. One would have been enough.

The Gibson girl found something humorous in the book she was reading.

A minstrel on the beach was confiding his love affairs to a crowd, in a voice that was slightly flat at the high notes, and one of the many adorable young women in the privacy of the drawing-room of the select boarding house was accompanying him on the select boarding-house banjo. "Bedelia, I'd like to steal yer," he sang.

The young man sighed. The Gibson girl turned three pages of her book at once, and did not notice the gap in the story.

For three minutes he was lost in thought. Then he rose and fumbled at the struts of his deck-chair. "Beastly uncomfortable," he said, in a stage whisper. He entered the room, returned with another chair, and placed it two yards nearer to the Gibson girl.

He felt he was progressing, but there were still six yards of girlless balcony between them.

The minstrel below sang, "For you I'm pinin', when we're apart."

The Gibson girl yawned and turned her book so that he caught sight of the cover. It was "Won by Waiting."

He opened a paper. The breeze made this difficult. The page flapped in the wind like the mainsail of the Saucy Little Mary, which was just setting out with a party of trippers. It fluttered to the feet of the Gibson girl. He took a deep breath and followed it.

SUNDAY MORNING, 12 O'Clock.

"You see," he was saying, "I really don't know anybody here."

The minstrels' chorus floated up on the hot air, "And he told her that she was his only love—his only love—his one and only love."

The Gibson girl looked down. Her lashes curled adorably.

"And she said, Why then you must be lonely, love." It was the minstrels again. They were flattening horribly.

"Do you hear what they are singing?" he ventured.

"Perhaps it would be quieter at the other end of the—balcony," she said.

He started guiltily. Had the pink blouse told?

"It is so hot there in the sun," he said. "That was why I moved."

She looked him squarely in the eye.

"I mean, partly," he said, wriggling slightly.

"Is not even that chair comfortable?" she asked.

He felt as a beetle must feel when a naturalist has him under a magnifying glass.

"Then your paper blew away. Didn't you let it go on purpose?"

"I swear I didn't," he said, with sudden spirit.

She dropped her eyes. "How disappointing!" she murmured. "I thought you did."

Their eyes met. His hand touched her fingers, which were resting on the arm of the cane chair.

She drew her hand away quickly. "Didn't you find it chilly last night?" she asked, innocently.

He wished that girl in the pink blouse were in a land in which she would have all eternity for gossiping.

His face seemed to have become suddenly sunburnt.

"Still and deep was the water, but she was deeper still." The minstrels referred to a certain miller's daughter.

"I am so glad I am not you," cooed the Gibson girl.

"Why?" he asked, miserably.

"Because"—her voice sounded like—like wavelets on a moonlit beach. "Because I should hate to be snubbed by one."

"Cool to the hand was the water, but she was cooler still." The minstrels still referred to the girl who lived beside a mill.

"I wish I had stayed in the sun," he said. "I shouldn't have got so scorched there."

A flash of pink in the crowd below caught his eye, and a freckled face smiled at him.

"There is a friend of yours down there," said the Gibson girl. "Hadn't you better go to her."

"No," he said, angrily.

"Dear me!" said the Gibson girl, "I thought you were such good friends."

"I didn't know you then," he said.

The Gibson girl smiled.

"The bell has rung," said the waiter, who had approached quietly.

"We found that maiden hard to understand," droned the minstrels. They were again referring to the daughter of a doubtless estimable miller.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Gibson girl, in a cream-colored bathing dress with crimson stripes, and dipped one toe in the water.

She had bobbed three times, being careful not to damp the upper portion of her suit, which was finished with an embroidered sailor collar.

As she stepped from her bathing machine on dry land once more, cool and smiling, the young man shouted, "Come along, Miss Nellie, the drag starts in ten minutes."

SATURDAY EVENING.

"Beastly full train. Goodby, Nell. You'll be back next week?"

"Yes, Frank. Au revoir."

MONDAY.

Scene—A city office.

Young man's fellow clerk. "Hurry up, old man. It's lunch time."

Young man, very absently: "All right, dear, I'm coming."

He blushes. Three clerks wink with immense gravity.

Nature is divinely serene; she has the most beautiful of all faces, and yet she never looks in the glass, and her utter lack of vanity, her complete ignorance of self-consciousness, are her most magical charms.—Robert Hichens.

Home-Made Christmas Gifts

By SARAH GRAHAM HAY.

THE illustrations show four useful little articles which even the busiest woman may find time to make, and all of which are rather out of the ordinary. The materials may in some instances be changed to suit the individual fancy or the fabrics of the originals of the drawings may be used. For instance, the first, "case for turnover collars," may be developed in French dimity and instead of silk ribbons, wash ribbons of linen may be used. In this way the article will not only be dainty but have an added capacity for long service. It adds immeasurably to one's appreciation of a gift when the donor has not only considered your tastes but the usefulness of the article as well.

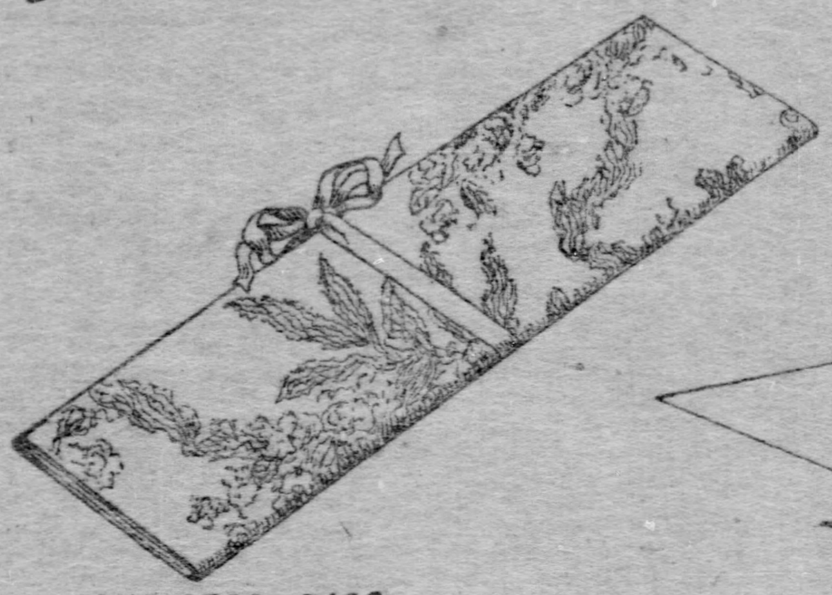
Figure 1 illustrates a case for turnover collars and embroidered stocks. This case is so large in size that it readily accomodates even the stocks with a good sized tab. It is made of two pieces of cardboard covered with silk and tied together with ribbon. Silk elastic bands hold the stocks and collars in place on the inside. Scraps of ribbon make these cases very nicely and with the initials embroidered on the outside will be found a dainty and useful and therefore a much appreciated present.

The use of baby ribbon in lingerie has made the possession of the article illustrated in No. 2 a necessity. A small pasteboard box--a candy box will do—was covered with silk, and two round holes punched in the top and buttonholed about with heavy embroidery silk. Inside there is a partition and coils of pink and blue ribbons are all ready for use. A bodkin is secured to the outside of the box with embroidered eyelets.

Illustration No. 3 is a traveling sewing bag in the form of an old-fashioned shawl strap. It contains spools of white and black cotton, a tape measure, thimble, buttons, both white and black, also shoe buttons, needles and pins, tiny scissors and a small spool of black silk. It is made of tan linen which will stand much wear and not soil.

Illustration No. 4 is a gift for the new baby. A little silk bag is made, in color harmonizing with the other fittings of the baby's basket, and is lined with a second bag of chamois to hold powder and a nice puff is inserted. When not in use the ribbons draw the bag tight at the top, to exclude the dust.

No. 1 CASE FOR TURNOVER COLLARS IN PERSIAN SILK



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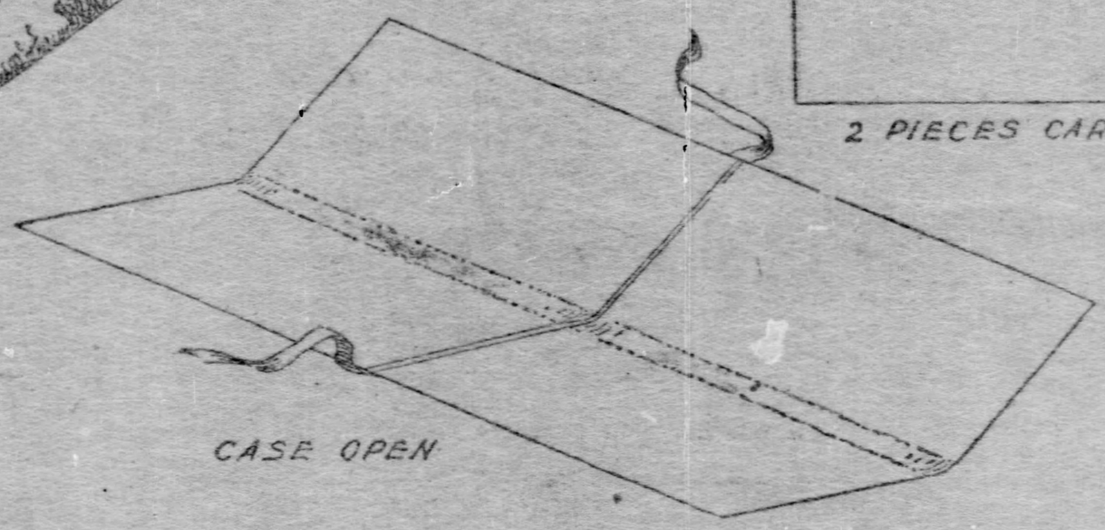

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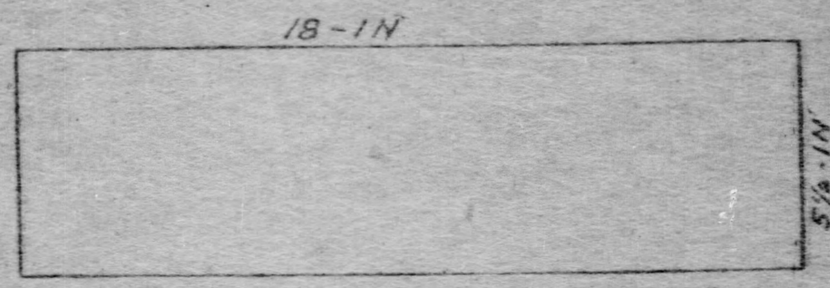
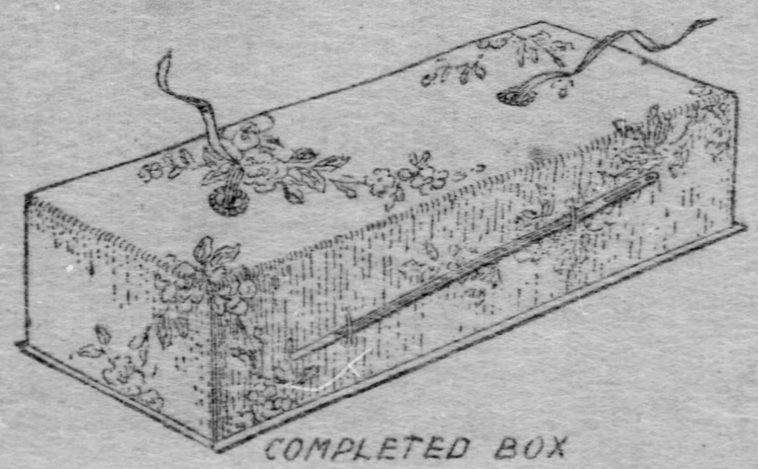


2 PIECES CARDBOARD, SILK COVERED

No. 2 BOX FOR LINGERIE RIBBONS, SILK COVERED, BODKIN FASTENED ON SIDE



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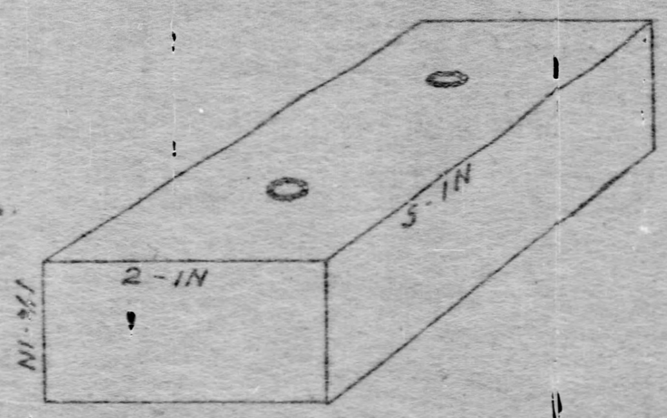

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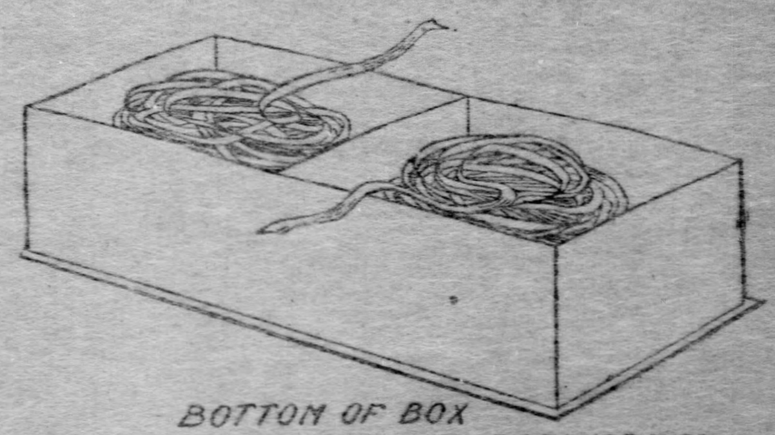
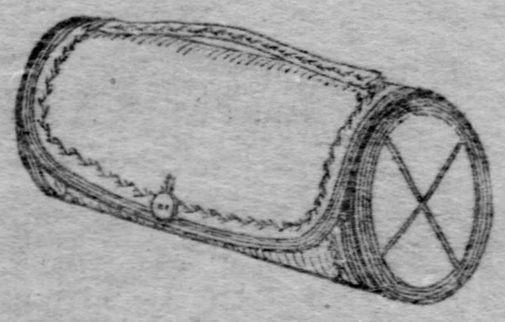


BOTTOM OF BOX SHOWING COMPARTMENTS

No. 3 TRAVELLING SEWING BAG OF BROWN LINEN



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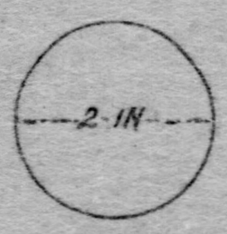

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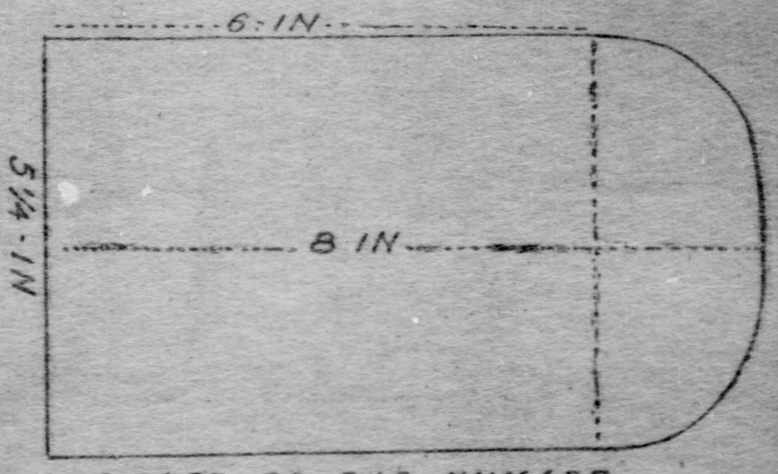
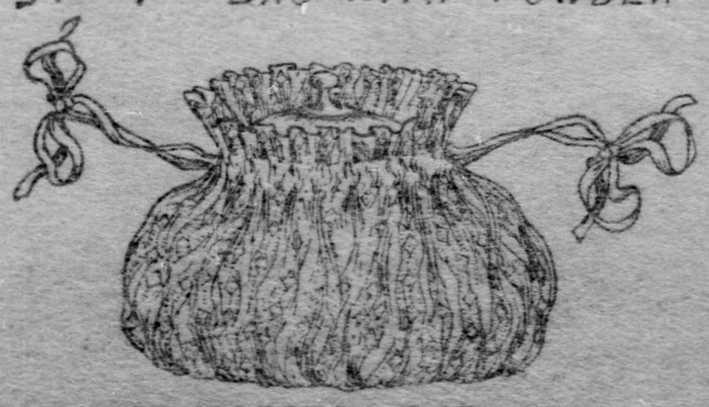


SHAPE OF BAG UNMADE.

No. 4 BAG WITH POWDER PUFF FOR BABY'S BASKET; OF PINK SILK, CHAMOIS LINED



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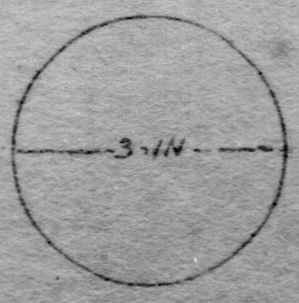

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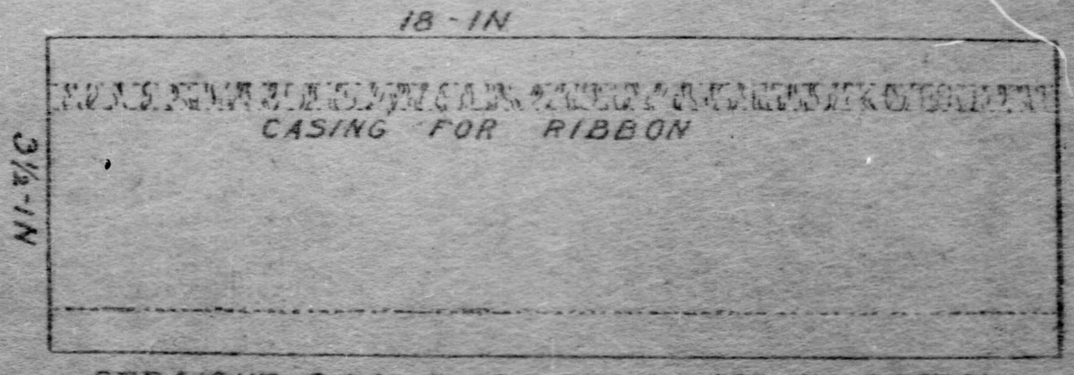

STRAIGHT PIECE TO BE SEWED AROUND BOTTOM

Dancing Gowns and Dinner Dresses.

Evening Costumes in Both Simple and Elaborate Designs—Light Shades Popular and Touches of Color Favored on White Frocks—Tulle, Gauze and Mousseline Suitable for Debutantes; Chiffon Velvet and Rich Brocades Appropriate for the Matronly—The Very Latest Trimming Accessories.

By CATHERINE HOWARD.

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THOUGH the social chronicler predicts a rather quiet winter, so far as large entertainments go, still within the next month or so there will be a great many social functions on the calendar, as is to be expected in a place so fond of gaiety and lavish entertaining as is Pittsburgh. Last winter was, it is true, an unusually brilliant season, a fact that was in a great degree accounted for by the long list of debutantes introduced, but this year there are comparatively few young girls to make their bow to socity, thus, so far there have not been as many teas and receptions as is usually the case during the early winter. But with the nearing of the Christmas season, there will be the usual round of balls, dinners, and "small and early" dances.

For these occasions dancing and dinner gowns are being designed, and for the young matrons and the older girls, some very beautiful and rather magnificent costumes are shown. Many of these are imported or else are copied from the Paris models, and are, it is needless to mention, extremely expensive, but it is quite possible with taste and a careful selection as to coloring, to evolve a very smart and effective dinner or dancing frock at home, for a fraction of the cost of one of these made-up gowns. In fact, it takes less skill to make an effective evening gown than to make a plain street frock, as in a gown to be worn by artificial light, the color, style and general effect is more important than exactness of cut and perfection of workmanship. It is necessary to have taste, however, and what is called a "milliner's touch"—that is to have the trimming, the little bows and ribbons, flower garlands or whatever ornamentation there is set on lightly and gracefully in just the right place. Often a knot of black velvet, a sparkling buckle or two, or a rosette of colored velvet or ribbon if skillfully applied will transform a characterless gown to one of distinction, but it takes an artistic eye to work the transformation.

This season there is a great deal of color in all gowns, and especially for evening wear is this true. It is not by any means a one color season either, as almost all the light shades are fashionable, so one can safely choose her most becoming shade with the comfortable surety that it will be in the mode, whether pink, blue, lavender or green, yellow, or red, black or white. White is, as was the case in past seasons, still very fashionable, and on many women is the safest and most becoming color to choose. This is especially true when one cannot afford to have many evening gowns, as white is never tiresome, and while the same white frock will pass when worn to several affairs in the winter, a gown of marked coloring would be undesirably noticeable.

One white gown which I have in mind has been made up for a girl who has limited her evening gowns for the entire season to three, the white one being the handsomest and the most expensive on the list, as it is to do duty on many occasions. It is made with a square neck, cut quite low, and is trimmed with white silk lace insertion bands and medallions. The skirt is particularly attractive and is very full and rather long. A wide band of the insertion is set in down the front, and pointed strips of insertion and medallions are set in at intervals above rows of shirring in the lower part. It is in the waist, however, that especial ingenuity is shown, as it is so made that it can be worn as a dinner gown, a dancing frock or a high-necked theater or reception gown. The square decolletage is finished finished with a bertha of the crepe, pointed in the front and over the shoulders and inset with lace medallions, the edge being of the insertion. A perfectly fitting yoke of the crepe, made quite transparent by lace empiecements and medallions inset and with a collar of lace, comes with the bodice and may be set in if a less formal gown than a decollete frock is desired. The sleeves are made of two puffs of chiffon, with the deep-

Illustration No. 1.

pointed piece of the crepe edged with lace falling over. The lower puff of these sleeves is made separate and it may be removed when a very short sleeve is preferred, the elbow sleeve length being used when the gown is worn high-necked.

Many changes also can be made in the effect of a white gown by wearing a touch of color, worked in as girdle and shoulder knots or as a rosette twist on the left side of the decolletage. Artificial flowers are also still in vogue for ball gowns and some exquisite decorations are shown in the finer imported flower garlands. For instance, on a frock of white and silver a spray of water lilies with dark glossy green leaves was fastened across the shoulder, while on another frock of silvery green chiffon was a decoration of artificial orchids and maidenhair and it really took careful scrutiny to discover that they were not real.

For the older women the chiffon velvet and silks brocaded in velvet are quite the rage and combined with beautiful lace and handwork are extremely rich and handsome. Golden yellow chiffon velvet exquisitely trimmed with chiffon, heavy lace and bands of sable was shown among the model gowns of a New York importer and would be very stunning on a tall woman, with dark eyes and hair and good coloring. The lace gowns, though not exactly new, are still in great favor and can never become too popular because of their expensiveness. The net gowns in either black or white combined with Chantilly or Cluny are also very effective and are worn by the young girls as well as by the older women. Simple evening gowns are, however, the most becoming to young people, and the gauzy tulles, chiffons and mousselines, as well as the dainty white and light-colored crepes and silks are the smartest materials for such frocks. Grenadine voile in white and the light colors is also an exquisite fabric for the evening frock, and the Pompadour silks, and messalines make lovely dinner gowns. White cotton net of very fine mesh trimmed with Valenciennes insertions and ruffles also makes a very girlish and pretty gown, and may be made up over an organdie or sheer lawn slip instead of over silk with excellent effect.

For the debutantes and the younger set many of the dancing frocks are made short, and for certain materials this style is a very good one, as well as being a most comfortable fashion. The sunplaited materials are especially liked, made up with a short skirt, and are really very graceful and attractive when worn.

The first drawing shows a dinner gown of figured silk, in a design of blurred roses and leaves on a white ground. The skirt is made in petticoat effect, a particularly good style for the silk evening frock, the underskirt being of mousseline with flounces of blonde lace. The overskirt is finished with ruching of the silk, pinked on the edges. The bodice is made with a vest of allover blonde, finished at the top with a corded puff. Down this vest-piece are three rhinestone buckles, fastening pointed ends of black velvet ribbon. On each side of the vest reveres of lace fell, narrowing to the high girdle, which was of the silk of the gown. The sleeves were short puffs of the silk with frills of lace and a long arm drapery of the allover lace edged with the pinked ruching used on the skirt. The bodice is bloused all around over the high-boned girdle.

The second sketch shows a gown of white net having a tiny white silk dot. The design, though a simple one, is very effective when made up, as the trimming of bias white satin bands makes a most effective contrast with the delicate transparent net. The bodice is made with a low-cut rounded neck, the material being shirred on quite full. About the decolletage is a flounce of fine white lace the lace also extending over the tops of the sleeves, which are of the open variety, pointed on the lower part and edged with lace. The sleeves are shirred to a strip of insertion at the inner arm and are made over a small puff of the net, unlined. The tops of the sleeves are caught in with two bands of the satin and small bows of the same, the front of the waist also being strapped across as shown in the drawing with satin straps fastened to the girdle in front with rosette bows. The back of the waist is also trimmed with the bands, but there they are drawn down to the girdle in a point, instead of being interlaced, as in front. The skirt is trimmed with graduated bands of the bias satin, from knee depth down, the top row being about half an inch in width and the lowest about three inches.

The third drawing shows a lovely gown of green chiffon, made over a green silk foundation of the same shade. The bodice is cut with a square decolletage, finished about the edge by a band of gold embroidery, studded with green gems. The lower part of the waist is encircled by rows of velvet ribbon matching the chiffon and below the gold passementerie band about the neck fell a bertha of the chiffon almost covered with black lace, the pattern of which was outlined in gold thread. A second pointed frill formed the tops of the short sleeves, the edge of which was also trimmed with the gilt embroidered lace. The skirt was made in the old-fashioned ruffle effect, the three ruffles extending to a little above the knee, each ruffle being edged with rows of velvet ribbon, four bands of which were on the lowest ruffle, three on the middle one and two on the upper.

Illustration No. 2.

Illustration No. 3.

Practical Household Topics

Menus for the Week

MONDAY, December 5.

BREAKFAST.

Oranges.
Bacon and Eggs. Baked Potatoes.
Graham Muffins.
Coffee.

LUNCHEON.

Bean Soup. Cold Meat. Pickled Beets.
Rice Pudding.

DINNER.

Breaded Cutlets.
String Beans. Boiled Potatoes.
Apple Pie. Coffee.

TUESDAY, December 6.

BREAKFAST.

Cereal with Cream.
Fried Smelts. Baked Sweet Potatoes.
Coffee.

LUNCHEON.

Baked Beans. Brown Bread.
Stuffed Mangoes. Prune Whip.

DINNER.

Roast Beef. Yorkshire Pudding.
Riced Potatoes. Nut and Apple Salad.
Orange Charlotte.

WEDNESDAY, December 7.

BREAKFAST.

Grape Fruit.
Steak. Potato Omelet.
Hominy Fritters. Coffee.

LUNCHEON.

Oyster Stew.
Sponge Cakes. Beaten Biscuit. Apricots.

DINNER.

Julienne Soup.
Ham Omelet. Potato and Lettuce Salad.
Crackers and Cheese.
Indian Pudding.

THURSDAY, December 8.

BREAKFAST.

Oranges.
Corn Meal Mush with Cream.
Poached Eggs on Toast.
Rolls. Cocoa.

LUNCHEON.

Corn Soup with Croutons.
Celery and Apple Salad.
Waffles. Tea.

DINNER.

Veal Cutlet.
Fried Sweet Potatoes. Stewed Tomatoes.
Lemon Jelly with Cream.

FRIDAY, December 9.

BREAKFAST.

Broiled Ham. Rice with Cream.
Toast. Coffee.
Oranges and Sugar.

LUNCHEON.

Scrambled Eggs with Dropped Veal and Tomato Sauce.
Popovers. Cocoa. Tapioca Pudding.

DINNER.

Cream of Celery Soup.
Broiled Cod. Tomato Sauce.
Boiled Potatoes. Brussels Sprouts.
Cheese. Crackers. Snow Pudding.

SATURDAY, December 10.

BREAKFAST.

Baked Apples. Steamed Crackers.
Egg Vermicelli Rye Muffins. Coffee.

LUNCHEON.

Chicken Salad. Hot Gingerbread. Cocoa.
Stewed Peaches.

DINNER.

Irish Stew with Dumplings.
Cheese Salad. Crackers.
Apple Pudding. Coffee.

SUNDAY, December 11.

BREAKFAST.

Wheat Biscuit with Cream.
Sausages. Toast.
Coffee.

DINNER.

Vermicelli Soup. Dressed Duck.
Mashed Potatoes and Onions.
Cranberry Sauce. Spinach.
Tomato Jelly Salad.
Ginger Cream. Coffee.

SUPPER.

Potato and Egg Salad.
Hot Biscuits. Cocoanut Layer Cake. Cocoa.

Roast Goose.

ALTHOUGH it will stand small chance of displacing on the American table the place of honor occupied by the great American bird, yet roast goose is a man of no little consequence. In European countries, notably France, Germany and England, this fowl stands pre-eminent among festal dishes. There is, of course, a skill in selecting the bird no less than in its preparation, and to the uninitiated a few words of direction will not come amiss.

Scrub a dressed goose with hot, strong soapsuds—an effectual way to remove part of the oil from the skin, then wash well in cold water and dry with a soft towel. Flatten the breastbone by striking it with a rolling pin. Rub the fowl both inside and out with salt, pepper, sage, sweet marjoram and thyme and leave over night.

In the morning stuff with a dressing prepared as follows. A cup of softened bread crumbs, two sour apples, chopped fine; a handful of stoned raisins, one mealy potato, riced; a generous lump of butter and salt to taste, mix well. The American palate usually prefers a cup of chopped boiled onions in place of the sweet raisin flavor in the dressing.

If the goose is very young allow 20 minutes to the pound for roasting. As soon as a considerable amount of oil has been extracted by the heat, take the pan from the oven and pour off the oil. Then dredge the goose with flour, add a little water to the pan and baste frequently during the remainder of the cooking. If there is any doubt as to the age of the goose, it is safer to braise or steam it till tender and then brown. For the gravy, boil the giblets in a small quantity of water, mash the liver in a tablespoon of flour and chop the gizzard. Put these and the water they were cooked in into the browned liquid left in the dripping pan. Stir all together till it thickens, seasoning with thyme, sage and salt. Garnish the serving platter with sliced lemons, alternating with tufts of watercress or curly parsley. Eat with the goose a well-sweetened apple sauce or the delicious conserve called hagenmark, which is made in Southern Germany in the fall from the vivid cardinal hips of the wild dog-rose.

Old World Dainties.

Potage a la Reine was the favorite of Napoleon and Victoria. It calls for one quart chicken stock, one cup of cold chopped chicken, one cup bread crumbs, the yolks of three hard-boiled eggs, cut fine, a bit of celery, half an onion, half a carrot and some parsley. Boil slowly one hour. Press into a puree; add one cup of hot milk or cream and seasoning. Cold boiled carrots, two cupfuls to one cup of tomatoes, will make a savory soup, good for people who need iron in their systems. Red beans, red fruits, meats and vegetables are rich in this mineral.

If you add to a quart of consomme, heated, six slices of toast, sprinkled with grated cheese, and four onions, sliced and fried in butter, you have the famous onion soup with cheese, dear to Dumas and all good Bohemians, which is served every Monday in brown earthen bowls at the best French restaurants. The toast floats on top, under it the onions, and the smell and taste are never forgotten. Croutons for soups can be cut with a sharp knife, out of bits of stale bread. Arrange them on a pie plate, grate cheese over them, flavored with a little nutmeg and brown in the oven. These are an improvement to almost any soup. Oatmeal, left from breakfast, can be boiled with milk and seasoning, into the wholesome Scotch broth; and cracked wheat, combined with milk, sugar, raisins and cinnamon, is boiled into a smooth dish called "furmenty," known for many years in England. To every quart of soup, one level teaspoonful of salt and as much pepper as can be put on a 10-cent piece are sufficient seasoning.

Four Supper Dishes.

HOUSEWIFE, noted for the excellence of her cuisine, gave me the following formulas:

Bake large, mealy potatoes in their skins until nearly done. Take from the oven and cut a slice off the top, leaving the skin on one side to form a sort of hinge; with a fork pull out the underdone heart, and fill the hollow thus made with a tiny shaving of smoked bacon peppered and rolled tightly. Close the potato and put back in the oven to finish cooking.

For Cheese Souffle.—Pour two cups of hot milk over two cups of soft bread crumbs; add a cup of grated cheese and three beaten eggs; bake as an omelet (this will make two) and when one side is done set in the oven until brown. A much longer time is required in the cooking than for the ordinary omelet. It should puff to a thickness of at least two inches and be of a uniform golden brown.

An odd, but especially delicious omelet is made by mixing six eggs, beaten, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, two of grated cheese, salt and pepper, with tarragon, chives and parsley chopped fine. Put butter size of a walnut in a pan and cook as an ordinary omelet, or finish in the oven as for a souffle.

For curried eggs, cut one apple and one onion in thin rings and fry a golden brown in butter; sift into this a dessert spoonful each of curry powder and flour and dilute with half a pint of water; lay in four hard boiled eggs shelled and quartered. Serve in wall of boiled rice.

Japanese Delicacies.

The Japanese are very fond of pickles and relishes, consuming them in great quantities. One very popular relish always relied upon for imparting an appetite is cucumber and egg plant, pickled in brine or the dregs of sake, with or without rice bran. Some vegetables are pickled with salt and ginger leaves, and are taken with tea the first thing in the morning, to counteract the dampness.

Upon arriving at a home, trays of confectionery are at once produced as accompaniments to the tea, which always welcomes a guest. Tokyo produces the finest sweetmeats which are very gaudy and beautiful. Great accuracy and fidelity to tints is carried out in the candies which are fashioned after flowers. The greens and yellows, though very brilliant, are said to be quite harmless. There is no village but has its coarse confectionery for children, and it is made in the shape of dogs, men, women, children, etc., but even the best of it is without much taste, and somewhat stale. It is said that those who do not drink sake are inordinately fond of sweets.

Among the confections are beans coated with sugar, and squares of fine rice flour, mixed with sugar, made firm by a substance like gelatine, which they get from seaweed. One of their favorite cakes is kasuteira. This is something like our sponge cake, and is very good, unless the eggs happen to be musty, as is often the case. The cake most in favor with the children of Japan is mochi, and the advent of the "mochi man" is anticipated almost as if he were Santa Claus. This man comes often to the towns and makes these little sweetened cakes of rice dough, which are such a delight to the children, and although insipid, can also be eaten by foreigners.

The Japanese excel in cooking rice and the process is extremely simple; put one cup of thoroughly washed rice over the fire with five of water fast boiling; add salt and when it has boiled fast for 15 minutes, set the saucepan uncovered in a moderate oven. In 15 minutes the water will be completely evaporated and every grain distinct and fluffy. Rice cooked in this way was a revelation to me. Not a grain will adhere to the bottom of the saucepan.

Good Recipes.

Ginger Pear.—This conserve is often used as a dessert, to be served with thin wafers, or it is liked for Sunday evening suppers or a luncheon. It is best to put it away in small sized glasses, as it is used in small quantities.

Wipe eight pounds of the hard pears, peel, and cut in small "chips" with a sharp knife. Put into the preserving kettle with six pounds of granulated sugar, one-fourth pound of green "Canton" ginger, which has been scraped and grated, the juice and grated rinds of three large lemons. Put all together and bring slowly to the boiling point. Boil slowly three or four hours or until all is thick and transparent.

Any kind of fall pear will do if it is still hard and crisp. This quantity makes about 12 jelly glasses full.

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Cauliflower Pickle.—From heads of firm, white cauliflower remove all leaves and break into small flowerlets, trimming off any undue proportion of stalk. Drop into cold, slightly salted water for 15 minutes; then drain and drop into a kettle of boiling water, to each gallon of which is added one large tablespoonful of salt. Boil slowly for 15 minutes, drain again and drop into cold water until chilled and ready to put up. Note how much liquid is required to immerse the cauliflower, and take the required amount of vinegar. For each quart of vinegar take one-half of a cupful of granulated sugar and one heaping tablespoonful of whole spices—cloves, peppercorns, allspice and white mustard seed in equal parts. Tie them loosely in a bit of thin muslin, drop into the vinegar, add the sugar, heat to the boiling point and boil for five minutes. Remove the spices, blend a little of the hot liquid with two tablespoonfuls of French mustard and mix all together. Drain and place the cauliflower in jars, pour over the prepared vinegar and seal. Let stand at least two weeks before using.

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Philadelphia Scrapple.—Take a cleaned pig's head, put in a kettle, cover with boiling water and simmer slowly until the meat falls from the bones. Remove skin and bones and chop the meat fine. Put the pot liquor in a cold place until next day; then remove the cake of fat which has formed over the top. Strain the liquor and return to the fire. When it boils, stir in the chopped meat and add a very high seasoning of salt and pepper. Sift in, slowly, fine corn meal, adding it gradually until sufficiently thick to mold firmly when cold. Continue to stir for 20 minutes; then draw to one side, where it will bubble occasionally, and cook for an hour longer. Pour into wetted pans and set away until cold; then turn out on a platter and keep in a cold place. In winter this will keep for a fortnight or longer, according to the severity of the weather.

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Baked Bacon.—We found fried bacon objectionable and indigestible, and so I tried this way: Place thin strips of bacon, after removing the rind, on a broiler. Put the broiler above a pan so that the grease will not touch the bacon, and put it all in a hot oven; turn the broiler once. The oven should be hot enough to cook it in five minutes. The bacon is then so crisp and so greaseless that it can be eaten with the fingers.

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Deviled Fish.—Take cold cooked fish, free it from skin and bones and break it into good-sized flakes. Season one pint with one scant teaspoonful of salt, one-third of a teaspoonful of paprika, or several dashes of cayenne; add four hard boiled eggs cut fine, one tablespoonful of finely chopped parsley and ten drops of onion juice. Brush timbale molds or small cups with butter, fill lightly with the mixture. Beat well two raw eggs; add one cupful of milk. Strain this over the filled molds, sprinkle the top of each with buttered bread crumbs, and bake in a moderate oven until set in the center.

The Early Winter Modes

BY MADAME FULLERTON

ALTHOUGH this is an age of great extravagance in dress, there are, fortunately, many fashionable materials that are inexpensive and dainty, models that require but little costly handwork or elaborate garnitures. Among these inexpensive fabrics probably white voile of a very fine texture is as serviceable as any for wear at home in the evenings or to informal affairs. It is wisest to have the skirt of a white gown made untrimmed save by some pretty manipulation of the goods, for then it may be worn as a separate skirt with fancy white lace or silk blouses, in which capacity it will be found most useful. One of the prettiest and newest waists suitable for wear with a white voile, silk or chiffon skirt is a lace coat, which may be made short on the lines of a bolero or moderately long copying more or less the Directoire or Louis XV. styles. A heavy lace of open design is the most effective for this purpose, and under it is worn a white or pale-colored mousseline or chiffon plisse bodice cut half low or high at the neck and having lace-trimmed elbow sleeves. The gown illustrated by Fig. 1 is of white voile and is made with a charmingly pretty skirt that would do nicely to wear with odd waists, as has been suggested. The skirt has a white taffeta foundation and is cut in 11 flaring gores, which are alternately box-plaited and smocked, the smocking and stitching of the plaits being carried down about one-third the length of the skirt. The waist is treated in a like manner and is trimmed with a gracefully draped fichu of white tulle edged with two full ruffles of net-topped lace, which is caught at the bust by a large pink velvet rose. The sleeves consist of short puffs of the voile finished with double lace ruffles tied with rose-pink satin ribbon, and the sash is of pink panne satin knotted at the back and hanging in long ends nearly to the bottom of the skirt.

A striking afternoon carriage or visiting gown of bronze-green broadcloth is shown by illustration No. 2. It is made with a three-piece skirt slightly gathered over the hips and in the back, and is trimmed with four bands, running around the skirt, of heavy self-toned taffeta embroidered in self-toned silks with small bronze-brown and green velvet motifs introduced through the design. These bands, which form a most effective and novel ornamentation, are edged with narrow dark mink bands. The coat blouses over the wide belt of cloth and is trimmed around the neck and front by a similar band to those on the skirt and is further ornamented by large mink buttons. The graceful sleeves have a band of the embroidered taffeta running around the upper part and are caught in below the elbow by a narrow cloth band fastened with one large fur button. The muff is unusually large and flat and of a beautiful piece of mink, and the hat is of bronze-green velvet trimmed with shaded green feathers. Many odd colors are used this season for ceremonious gowns, the majority being of such light shades that they seem hardly suitable for day wear. Among the most popular are chamois-colored cloth, pastel burnt onion, fawn, pale silver-sage green, light mustard, almond, beige, burnt ivory and pastel blue. These are all beautiful colors, and when combined with rich laces, fur, embroidery or dark tones of velvet make most exquisite costumes. Self-toned combinations of colors are still in vogue for day toilettes; the only contrasting colors used generally are in the embroideries introduced or in vests, revers and cuffs, which are frequently of brocade. The embroideries used, by the way, in the choicest gowns seen are far more artistic in color and design than ever before. They are based on oriental suggestions, but are even more subdued and of softer shades than the majority of eastern work, and so harmonize and blend with the color of the gown most perfectly.

Peau de cygne in single color is one of the most used silks this season for both afternoon and evening gowns. It comes in two qualities, one of light weight, which is used for house and evening toilettes, and the other a richer and heavier silk, is employed for carriage and reception gowns. In the former quality it may be had in all the beautiful new pale shades, and as it is exquisitely soft it is admirably suited to the full ruffled and puffed modes of the present time. One lovely gown of coral-pink peau de cygne seen lately was made with a full gathered skirt over which a princess tunic of white silk blonde lace was worn. The tunic opened over a narrow vest of the shirred peau de cygne, was belted in by coral-pink velvet ribbon, tied in a bow on the left side, and the decolletage was trimmed with a bertha of blonde lace caught with coral pink velvet bows on the shoulders and at the bust. Another dainty high-neck evening gown suitable for theater or home wear is shown by illustration No. 3. It is made of pastel mignonette-green peau de cygne and has a long gathered skirt trimmed with two flounces, headed by a wide puff bordered by narrow ruches of the silk. The bodice is made with a transparent stock and pointed yoke of tucked cream-colored mousseline inset with narrow insertions of repousse lace and bordered by three silk ruches. The elbow sleeves are large puffs trimmed with two tiny ruffles with two ruches above which continue on across the front of the bodice, curving down to the belt in front. From these on either side turn back pointed tabs of cream panne velvet embroidered in pale green silk and ornamented by jade buttons.

Although almost all the rich, valuable furs are always in style, yet there is much change from year to year in the vogue of certain skins, and accordingly if one wishes to be eminently smart in this respect it necessitates the changing of furs with every season. Nothing, for instance, could have been more in demand during the past year or two than moleskin, but now it is considered quite passe and is but seldom seen. Of course, the craze for this soft fur may return, but the pelts are so perishable that it is a most extravagant fancy. So far this season no one fur has been stamped as the leading fur of the winter, but all the dark furs, such as mink, fox, caracul, broadtail, and, of course, sable and chinchilla, are used. Ermine stands in a class by itself, as it is used more as a finishing touch on some other fur garment or on an elaborate gown or opera cloak than by itself. Long picturesque neck pieces, which may be considered more as ornamental than useful furs, as they are generally worn half off the shoulders, are shown in many lovely models. Some are shaped to the figure, being broad over the shoulders and narrow at the waist, while others are of the same width throughout. These latter are usually the most becoming, as they may be worn in any desired way and adapt themselves to the whims of their wearers with the greatest ease. One of the most popular models in these fur stoles is shown by illustration No. 4. It is about ten inches broad and two and a half yards long and is finished in the ends by a fringe of tail. It may be bought in any fur. The gown illustrated is of plum-colored velveteen, trimmed with cloth bands of the same shade. The skirt has a very deep round yoke, fitted to the figure by a few gathers over the hips and in the back, and to it is gathered the full, shaped flounce that forms the rest of the skirt, and is headed by two narrow stitched bands of plum-covered cloth. The coat is a round, gathered mode, made with full sleeves, sharply pointed revers edged with two bands of the cloth, and a wider girdle belt of the same.

For elaborate toilettes built on rather simple lines cut velvet is being extensively used, and certainly one could hardly wish for a handsomer material. One particularly lovely model seen at an afternoon session of the horse show is shown by illustration No. 5. It is of pale smoke-gray cut velvet over taffeta of the same color, and is made with a long, gracefully flaring plaited skirt, with a tapering box-plait directly in front, which is ornamented by a dozen antique silver buttons. The coat bodice is a short blouse with a plain back and slightly draped fronts, caught at the bust by a huge silver clasp and trimmed with round, flat collar and pointed vest of orange panne velvet in what might be called a pastel shade of this overdone color, but which is in this soft tint very lovely. The collar and vest are embroidered in black silk and steel beads, and the chemisette and lace tie, the ends of which fall over the vest and are of cream color. The sleeves fit the arm closely to the elbow and are trimmed with buttons and mousseline ruffles. Worn with the gown is a round turban of shirred gray velvet flowers shading from a warm yellow to a rich brown. Brown costumes, by the way, were one of the most noticeable features of the horse show. Browns of every conceivable tint, from the rich wood-browns, copper and red tints, to pale cafe au lait, made their appearance morning, noon and night. Those worn in the morning were, of course, plain tailor-mades or neat walking gowns; in the afternoon velvet, cloth and silk costumes, elaborately made and more or less extensively trimmed with fur, were seen in endless tones of brown, and even in the evening there were worn many chiffon and mousseline gowns of brownish lines, but these were almost always brightened up by the addition of some vivid color, such as blue, green, cherry, yellow, etc.

Young Girl's Winter Coat.

ALMOST effective design for a young girl's winter coat has a broad stole-like collar of a lighter shade of cloth braided with a fine design in soutache braid and edged with a narrow band of fur. Over this turns back a broad vest of white cloth, buttoning to the stole with very pretty decorative buttons. Cuffs of the white are buttoned over on to the braided cuff. The model from which the design was taken was of dark terra-cotta or mahogany-red cloth, with a lighter shade of the same color for the stole and cuffs, with black braid and a Persian-lamb edge.

The coat is easy to make, having few seams, and being loose and simple in its lines. Other combinations of color that would be effective are deep rich blue with a pale pastel blue and black, and green or brown with dull tan or bright leather color. The sleeve follows the newest style in being full around the top, and is throughout its length large enough to be worn over any kind of a dress sleeve.

Fancy Work Apron.

MAKE a square of Persian lawn, 24 inches when finished, trimmed with tucks and lace around the edges. From the middle of each side make a diagonal square of beading; cut six yards of ribbon into four lengths and run them through the beading, leaving it very loose on three sides and drawing it quite tight on the fourth, to give a little fulness at the waist line of the apron. Make hard knots at all four corners, and then tie double bow-knots. By lifting these bows, you can draw it up into a bag. But if you untie the bows, not the hard knots, at the ends of the shirred side, you have four long ribbons to tie about the waist. While sewing you have on what appears to be an ordinary apron with a pointed bib. When you stop you pile all your things into you lap, untie the ribbons about your waist, retie the bow knots, take hold of all four bows and draw it up into a bag.

My dress, so long as it be not conspicuous for disorder, disruption, or display, has much less effect on others than on myself. No woman is ever so happy as not to be made unhappy by her clothes. Let the dress reformers prattle to the breezes—there is no exaltation like that of knowing one's costume is stylish, becoming, and, if possible, expensive. Only by recognizing our limitations may we women successfully cope with them, one's own respect is the surest guarantee of other people's; for women self respect is soonest secured by clothes; therefore, O women, dress!

WASHINGTON'S HISTORIC OAKS AND ELMS

By ROBERTA V. BRADSHAW.

WHEN his Japanese excellency, Prince Fushimi, our latest royal born visitor planted a scarlet maple to signalize his visit to the home of the Father of our Country, he but followed in the footsteps of notables, foreign and native who had in times past trodden the historic paths.

The tree-planting habit is so firmly established in Washington that even the most devoted adherent of arboriculture and arbor days would find little room for complaint. To be sure tradition hath it that Mr. Cleveland once made some very pertinent observations concerning folks who planted trees "just for the name of the thing" though Mrs. Cleveland herself, when a bride added a blood red Japanese maple to the collection of trees in the grounds surrounding the White House.

As a matter of fact, a glance backward makes Mr. Cleveland stand as a notable exception in his disapproval of tree planting. No less a personage than George Washington is included among famous tree planters, the general having just the year before his death planted the tree that still stands facing the north front of the capital.

The Famous Wishing Tree in Lafayette Park — Young Oak grown from an acorn brought from Confucius Grave — The Lightning Tree

I'm not so sure that the megaphone man on the "touring automobile" can tell you anything of this fine old elm which has withstood the ravages of a century, but if perchance you meet one of the older men among the capital guards you may hear how the tree stands alone today, the only living link between the Capital City of Washington's time and the Capital City of this momentous day and hour.

As the story goes, Gen. Washington built the red brick house which still faces the capital's north front and about this structure he planted several trees, none of which survive, save the elm in question. Yet another tree which owes its existence indirectly to Washington's love of tree culture is a certain locust still standing today in a garden in the northwest. The locust is a descendant of a tree planted by Washington on the grounds surrounding Mt. Vernon. For almost a century the parent tree flourished, jealously guarded by the care-takers, who allowed not a slip to be taken from it for fear of injury. Years ago, as it chanced, a Mrs. Henry, whose husband was a lineal descendant of the great orator, picked up a seed blown from the tree. This she planted in a pot and later transplanted, moving from place to place and always carrying the tree with her until in the fulness of time it took root where it stands today, the original tree, in the meantime, succumbing to time.

Just south of Washington's elm stand the Barbecue trees, which are relics of Jackson's administration. In the old days when political ratification meetings were signalized by feasting and a flow of Attic wit rather than shouting and torchlight processions, there were two circular plots set apart in the present capital grounds for the purpose of celebrating political victories. For the Whigs there was a space, for the Democrats another, and in the center of each, with commendable impartiality, was planted a tree. Today these trees stand rearing leafy crowns to the blue sky, but the Whigs and the Democrats, who "jollified" under their branches are no more—Not even their tenets survive save in the memories of men grown old. Take a turn about the White House grounds with a garrulous guide and you'll hear a lot about trees and tree planters for the wide spreading lawn is as green as a forest with oaks and elms, for which famous folk stood sponsor.

John Quincy Adams is a worthy of the elder day, who immortalized himself by planting that queenliest of indigenous trees—an American elm, which stands in the south end of the grounds. The late President Harrison took double chances of living forever in the country's capital by planting two trees, both of which flourish through the hand that set them rests idle and unseen. The once famous Baby McKee and his sister, in childish glee dug holes and placed therein two elm saplings that in the passage of days have developed into tall and graceful young trees. The late President McKinley contributed a scarlet oak which flourishes vigorously in the northwestern section of the White House grounds, and right outside the White House gate stan[illegible]e "Bulletin" tree, a sylvan sentinel under whose branches the city gathered day by day to scan the hourly bulletins from Garfield's death bed. During the excitement the tree was the center of a living mass of humanity that blocked the pavement on both sides of the tree from the White House railings to the street. The man, the event, the days are as a tale that is told—only the tree remains.

Transfer your meditations to the Botanical gardens, where with its branches outstretched in the winter's blast you will see a sturdy young oak the parent of which guards the grave of Confucius. While paying his respects to the memory of the great sage, who 500 years before Christ wrote the six sacred books of the Chinese, an American traveler picked up an acorn, bringing the trophy home as a souvenir gift to the late Charles A. Dana, in turn presented it to the late Amos J. Cummings, who in company with his personal friend Supt. Smith, planted the tree which from the start developed vigorously.

Not so very far from the Chinese tree stands a century old specimen that served as a hitching post for President John Quincy Adams' good steed. "Other days, other manners"—sings the wind through the leaves and you smile to think of the old day of simplicity and the new day of secret service men and mounted guards and far journies 'cross the continent and huzzaing multitudes and battalions of policemen to guard the chief executive on his journies, long or short.

Again, if you would dip into history consider the fine old "Peace Oaks" planted in 1863, by the two patriotic Kentuckians, John J. Crittenden and Robert Malloy, who strove so valiantly in the interest of peace at the beginning of the civil war. Do you own to a fancy for sentiment?—then hear how three hundred young shoots were raised from the fruit of these trees that they might be planted in the battlefield of Chicamauga. Quite the most wonderful of all trees at the capital is the giant redwood tree which after all, is not a tree but a house. The monster trunk was hewed into sections and shipped to Washington, where it was set up in the agricultural grounds. An ordinary sized door opens hospitably into a living room in the center of which is a winding stairway leading to a story above. The upper room has a peaked roof and large windows look out in all directions over the grounds. The bark of the veteran is over a foot thick, and in one place it is charred, so you may use your fancy whether or not the marks were caused by an Indian campfire or a pioneer in civilization's way-back days.

Gnarled and twisted, but strong to endure, stands the lightning tree gravely guarding the "house" end of the capitol. Time and again, so the guides will tell you, has the tree been struck by forks of lightning that darted off at a tangent from the great dome—the first point of contact.

Not so many years ago occurred the death of the Aaron Burr lilac and about this old tree was wound a romance of the redoubtable Dolly Madison and the ill-fated, or as you will, the ill-famed Aaron Burr. Step back into history and hear how the British set fire to the White House, thereby making it quite uninhabitable for a time.

In lieu of their home of state, President Madison and the gentle Dolly were then obliged to accept the hospitality of the "octagon" house in the walled garden of which grew a wonderful lilac bush. From its branches every morning the fair Dolly herself culled blossoms for the table and the story goes that enamored of the gentle dame and forbidden to the house, the infatuated gallant scaled the wall of the garden and secreted himself behind the branches of the lilac tree. There he waited until the president's fair wife betook herself to the garden to read, as was her custom each morning. No sooner was she seated than her adorer threw himself at her feet. Off through the front door the irate Dolly sent the "Irresistible Burr" and from that day forward lilacs, her favorite bloom were ruled off the White House table. What a scene—what a picture; the quaint old-time garden in the flush of an early spring morning; the youthful and impetuous Burr; the beautiful and fiery Lady Dolly! What a story could the old lilac tree have told had it power of speech! What stories could most of these old trees tell if only we had ears to hear and wit to interpret the whisperings of their leaves!

The Art of Entertaining

TO BE a good host seems a difficult matter, judging by the rarity of such people.

In truth, everything depends on the hostess; the husband, like a bridegroom at a wedding, is a mere adjunct at social functions. If she knows her duties and performs them cheerfully, even a tea party becomes a success, and busy men clamor for admission to her house. People are quick enough to go where they know they will be amused, and often the hostess who is quite poor and only able to give claret cup and sandwiches has a far more successful gathering than a millionairess, with her powdered footmen and flowing champagne.

One sees this again and again in London society. A bright, cheery woman will attract to her house as the queen bee does to her hive. Many women, on the other hand, seem to think that when they have provided enough to eat and drink, hired a band or arranged some other amusement, they have done all that is necessary for the social success of their party. They have really only taken the first step. It is no good to stand at the top of the stairs at an at-home, dressed so smartly and so blazing with jewels that many of the guests feel uncomfortable in the presence of such a show of wealth; merely shaking hands and saying "How de do" is not enough. The hostess must manage to speak a few words to each individual guest if possible, to get in an introduction whenever the opportunity offers; while her husband or near relations must make some effort inside the rooms of making people known to one another—even if it be two women—and sending them down to refreshments together. Two shy women will sometimes stand side by side for an hour without opening their mouths, and be deadly bored in the process; while an introduction will make them fast friends in ten minutes, and they will go home feeling they have had a successful party and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Entertaining people costs a great deal of time and thought, and unless the hostess is a hostess in the true sense of the word, the whole thing is not worth the trouble or expense; for she does not give a proportionate amount of pleasure. She makes a great effort, however, that hostess, even if she does fail by temperament, and, having expended so much time and money over arranging her house parties, it is hard lines on her to be kept waiting for her guests' replies or be thrown over at the last moment, both of which sins inconsiderate people too often commit. A good hostess gives an enormous amount of pleasure and a considerate guest adds to everyone's comfort.

MRS. ALEC. TWEEDIE.

The years from sixteen to twenty are those years in a woman's life when dress becomes an ecstasy—as never afterwards. We always look in the glass when we put on our hats, but at sixteen we look at the face, not the hat. It is not such a bad face to look at, at sixteen, with its eyes and lips of wonder. For some few years heaven lets dress be a sheer delight, not the mere sordid comfort and decency of childhood, or the studied concealment of imperfections of maturity, but a revelation of the new self of which we are neither unconscious nor ashamed. It is but the working of natural laws; in the spring do not the very trees prank themselves out in a vain glory of blossoms, do they not prink and preen in the mirroring water, arranging their leafy tresses, and bedecking themselves for the masculine regard of sunbeams and breezes? So girls, and many a one quite as unconsciously.

We are told, on very good authority, that as a people we are gradually freeing ourselves from the uncomfortable habit of telling "plain truths." But are we also ceasing to think them? That is a question which it is not so easy to answer offhand. I think we at least take a more charitable view of our predecessors. We "make allowances" and experience the honest glow of self-conscious charity. Bluff King Hal is now a fine fellow—in the main. Lucrezia—possibly even Caesar—Borgia may have been more sinned against than sinning. Nero was as much a municipal reformer as a cold-blooded autocrat.

A FALL FROM THE CLOUDS.

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never thought it meant nothing. But all them things was foretelling one of the most vicious cyclones that ever raked the west. It come yelping in across the horizon, blackening the earth and whipping up houses, cattle and men like weeds, rending some to atoms, setting others down miles away with the gentleness of a mother's hand.

We was floating above the reach of the clouds and absorbed only in our own love and we neither seen nor heard the turmoil below. But when we made that ghastly dive of thousands upon thousands of feet we dropped into the very mouth of the funnel of a cyclone. Our descent into this hellish caldron brought us by degrees into greater and greater air pressure till, you see, we was checked, then supported and then swept along on the ascending and onrushing air currents. The wind wrenched the parachute till the straps about us snapped. Then, just for the fun of the thing, I guess, or because it hadn't the heart to harm sweet Nelly Gray, it floated us along and dropped us on a sheltered spot as tender as feathers.

In time we come back to consciousness, surprised as all get-out to find ourselves alive. The money I wore next my skin was still there, and we made our way stiff and bruised to a nearby village which the cyclone hadn't touched. There we was made whole by a doctor and made one by the minister. It kind o' looked as if that cyclone knew we were out for our weddin' journey and was doin' its best to treat us kind and gentle.

The cyclone was not so kind to Launt, for he was—well, we scraped up what we could find of him and we buried it, and we try to be merciful to his memory, though it was hard to find any pious lie to put on his tombstone.

And the Bean will case? Oh, Lord! that was settled out of court long ago. Nelly Gray, who got half of what the lawyers left, is no more. That is, she is now Mrs. Francois O'Hoolihan Cherebusco. Mr. Francois, etc., got the other half. And that's me.

Beatrix Lee's Counsel

Questions of general interest to women will be promptly answered in this column.
Do not send stamps. No letters will be answered by mail.
No attention will be paid to anonymous communications.
Address all letters to Beatrix Lee, care The Sunday Gazette.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—We wish to again call the attention of contributors to the fact that all letters must be signed with the writer's correct name, and bear also an address. These names will not in any case be published, but the editor wishes to know that the questions are asked in good faith. Do not sign just any name—use your true name, and rest assured that all such queries will receive some answer. Many letters are thrown out each week on account of lack of signature or because signed with a name evidently fictitious.

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Q. My brother visits a fine young lady and I think he intends to make her his bride. I am going to have a bridge whist party and wish to invite this young lady to the party to meet the family. Now, she has a sister. If I do not invite her can she take offense, or should I invite her for her sister's sake?—A. K. J.

A. The sister of your brother's prospective bride should feel no offense if she were not included in an invitation to your company. However, it would seem a little more cordial, if you are not too crowded, to extend the invitation to her also. It is a question that really should be determined by considerations of convenience.

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Q. I am a constant reader of The Gazette and would thank you very much if you would answer the following for me: I have been going with a girl for over a year and she is now angry with me. What should I do to be friends with her again? What should I talk about when keeping company with her?—W. S.

A. If you know what has offended your lady friend, by all means offer her an apology. If you do not know what has caused the trouble, go to her and ask her and offer what explanation seems necessary. If you cannot find a subject of conversation that appears to interest the young lady, why not allow her to do the talking. With an appreciative auditor rest assured most girls will find little difficulty in saying something.

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Q.—I would like to ask you a question which I think you can help me on. If a young man has obtained a divorce on very good grounds and then wishes to marry a Catholic girl, by turning Catholic would the girl be permitted to marry him under the laws of the Catholic church? Please answer in next Sunday's Gazette if possible and oblige H. L.

A.—The question you ask is a rather difficult one to answer. However, I understand from reliable authority that the Catholic church will not sanction the remarriage of any divorced person, however innocent, unless it be that the divorcee has never been baptised. In that case they do not recognize the first marriage as existing, and there is of course no objection to a second marriage with the rites of the church, provided the contracting parties are communicants of the church.

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Q.—Being a reader of the Sunday Gazette, I would like to have a few questions answered. Would you give me a list of the different wedding anniversaries from the first to the fiftieth, and how they are observed.. MRS. E. G. B.

A.—The various wedding anniversaries are generally observed as follows: First year, paper wedding; second year, cotton wedding; third year, leather wedding; fifth year, wooden wedding; tenth year, tin wedding; twelfth year, silk or linen wedding; fifteenth year, crystal wedding; twentieth year, pearl wedding; fortieth year, ruby wedding; fiftieth year, golden wedding, and seventy-fifth year, diamond wedding.

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Q.—As I am very much interested in your column, I would like to ask you one question: What will darken the eyebrows and eyelashes when they are lighter than the hair? M. M.

A.—It has been repeatedly recommended in this column that vaseline will make the eyebrows heavier, if applied regularly each night. I know of nothing that will affect the color.

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Q.—Will you please give me in your column the words of two songs entitled "Only a Pansy Blossom" and "Little Barefoot." R. D.

A.—The songs you request will be furnished you as soon as the words can be obtained and space permits of publication.

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Q.—Would you kindly put in The Sunday Gazette as soon as possible the song "Chevy Chase, or the Earls of Northumberland." If you can also state where I can buy it and the price of the sheet music, I would be obliged. G. M'K.

A.—The song you mention is one of the finest of the old border ballads, popular a generation or more ago. There are two versions of this ancient ballad, one published originally by Hearne and afterward by Bishop Percy (see Percy's Reliques) from old manuscript; the other is a much later copy. The first verse given is a transcript of the former, the obsolete English being somewhat modified or modernized. In this form you may find it in a volume of "Early Ballads and Songs," edited by Robert Bell. Any of the circulating libraries can furnish this book. There is another version commencing as per the second verse here given, but I cannot find that either of these have ever been set to music. The poem is very long, consisting of two parts, one of over 20 and the other over 40 verses, so that it would be out of the question to print it for you.

Chevy Chase.

The Percy out of Northumberland,
And a vow to God made he,
That he would hunt in the mountains
At Cheviot within days three,
In the mauger of doughty Douglas,
And all that ever with him be.

God prosper long our noble king,
Our lives and safeties all!
A woeful hunting once there did
In Chevy Chase befall.

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Q.—I am going to ask you a few questions which I would like you to answer in next Sunday's paper. Will you kindly give me the words of the poem "When the Frost Is on the Pumpkin?" Please tell me something that would be nice to trim a mohair hat. It is between a white and cream color and has brown velvet around the edge and around the crown. Do you think fur would be nice instead of the velvet and if so, what color. Also tell me something to clean a light brown fur. S. S.

A.—The brown velvet on your hat is very good style and I would not advise you to change it unless it is worn. If it must be renewed, have brown panne velvet put on and use either a brown pompom or a brown long feather on the hat. If you buy materials the milliner will probably trim it for you without charge. You might try hot corn meal to clean your fur piece. Heat white corn meal in the oven and then rub it thoroughly into your fur; wrap closely in a paper and lay it away for a day or so and repeat the treatment with fresh corn meal if not satisfactorily cleaned. The poem you mention is by James Whitcomb Riley. The words are as follows:

When the Frost Is on the Punkin.

When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock,
And you hear the kyouck and gobble of the struttin' turkey cock,
And the clackin' of the guiney and the cluckin' of the hens,
And the rooster's hallylooyer as he tiptoes on the fence,
O, it's then's the times a feller is a-feeling at his best,
With the risin' sun to greet him from a night of peaceful rest,
As he leaves the house, bareheaded, and goes out to feed the stock,
When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

They's something kind o' hearty-like about the atmusfere
When the heat of summer's over and the coolin' fall is here—
Of course we miss the flowers, and the blossoms on the trees,
And the mumble of the hummin' birds and buzzin' of the bees.
But the air's so appetizin', and the landscape through the haze
Of a crisp and sunny morning of the airly autumn days
Is a pictur' that no painter has the colorin' to mock—
When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

The husky, rusty russel of the tossels of the corn,
And the raspin' of the tangled leaves, as golden as the morn;
The stubble in the furries—kind o' lonesome-like, but still
A-preachin' sermons to us of the barns they growed to fill;
The strawstack in the medder, and the reaper in the shed;
The hosses in their stalls below—the clover overhead!—
O, it sets my heart a-clickin' like the tickin' of a clock,
When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

Then your apples all is gethered, and the ones a feller keeps
Is poured around the cellar floor in red and yeller heaps.
And your cider makin's over, and your wimmin folks is through
With their mince and apple butter, and their souse and sausage, too!
I don't know how to tell it—but if sech a thing could be
As the angels wantin' boardin', and they'd call around on me—
I'd want to 'commodate 'em—all the whole endurin flock—
When the frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock.

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Q. Will you please answer in next Sunday's Gazette, if possible, the address of Henry Phipps, the multi-millionaire, and is this the right name?—A. K.

A. Mr. Henry Phipps' present address is Beaufort Castle, Beauly, Invernesshire, Scotland. The name is correct as given.

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Q.—Would you kindly give me in your column of the Sunday paper the words of the song "Just Before the Battle, Mother" and the "Gypsy's Warning." R. A. C.

A.—The first song you request is not immediately available; however, the second was forwarded to us some months ago by several readers, and you can find it in the issue of August 21. Back numbers can be obtained by application at the business office, Wood street and Oliver avenue.

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Q.—As I am a reader of your column I would like you to tell me whether it is a boy's or a girl's place to speak first after a quarrel. Do you think there would be any harm in a girl of 16 sending a boy friend a small gift such as handkerchiefs, ties, collars or gloves at Christmas? If so how should they be delivered, in person or by mail? Should you say who sent them? If so, how would you do it? Do you think my writing good or bad? Will you kindly send me the song "Teasing?" ELIZABETH.

A.—After a quarrel the first overture toward reconciliation should come from the one at fault. If there is any doubt as to the originator of the quarrel it might be as well not to stand too much on ceremony. There is nothing out of the way in sending a boy friend a trifling gift at Chriftmas, though as a general thing I do not approve of the practice. You had better not select articles of apparel, most especially not a cravat, as a girl's taste in such matters is notoriously bad. Send your gift by post, with our card enclosed. The song you mention has been requested before and we give it below through the kindness of "A. A. V."

Teasing.

I feel so awful blue, I really don't know what on earth to do;
Never thought my Evalina would flirt, I'm on the alert 'cos my feelings is hurt,
I caught her on the sly, a-making eyes at fellers passing by;
I told her in a gentlemanly way, and this was all she had to say:

Teasing, teasing, I was only teasing you,
Teasing, teasing, just to see what you would do,
(Of course, you know that I was.)
Teasing, teasing, to find out if your love was true;
Don't be angry, I was only, only teasing you.

I guess she thinks she's smart, to go and trample on a poor man's heart;
Don't intend to stand her teasing no more, I'll go hunting for gore around somebody's door,
Sometimes I think I'll leave, and try to find myself another Eve;
But what's a feller going to do, when she rolls them eyes and says to you:

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Q. Will you kindly publish in your column a good recipe for making hash?

A. The term "hash" is used to signify a great many different concoctions in various kitchens. If the hash is made from beefsteak or roast beef a most delicious dish can be prepared. My experience with boiled or stewed meats has not been so satisfactory, although there is a way of combining shredded boiled beef with potato and baking in a mound that is very good. It has somewhat the appearance and flavor of a croquette. If you have cold beefsteak, chop this in pieces and put on to stew in a scant allowance of water. Parboil two or three potatoes—always use fresh ones. Peel when half cooked, and cut into the meat stew, adding butter, parsley, celery if at hand, or such kitchen bequet as approved by the family taste. Roast beef hash is made the same way. The following will also be found good. Cut pieces of bread into uniform sizes, dip in beaten egg to which a little milk and a pinch of salt have been added. Fry to a light brown in hot butter. Make a highly-seasoned hash of chopped meat and potato. Cook in stock until heated through. Arrange bread on platter, putting a spoonful of hash on each piece. Hash is also attractive served on thin, crisp toast.

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Last week Mrs M. H. H. asked for the song, "Sweet Bonnie Nell." We find this was published in the music supplement of The Gazette for Sunday, September 27, 1903. You can obtain a copy by applying at the business office, Wood street and Oliver avenue. The music as well as the words was given in this supplement.

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Q.—What is good for hair that is oily? I wash mine every other week, but still it is the same. How should one introduce her stepmother to her friends? I do not call her mother. Can you furnish me with the name and address of the office where one would go to get information concerning enlisting in the United States navy. Also how old must one be? Hoping your answers will prove satisfactory, READER.

A.—The characteristic you mention in your hair is considered a sign of vigor rather than a fault. If the oil appears in excess, washing will be your best remedy. You might add a little borax or ammonia to the water, but as a general rule this has a tendency to dry and impoverish the hair. Introduce your stepmother as Mrs. Brown in case you do not give her any other title. The navy recruiting office is in the post-office building, room No. 414, but the officer in charge will not be in the city until the 5th of December. The office will be open to applicants from the 5th to the 15th of December. The age limit is from 18 to 35. A man cannot enlist before the age of 18 or after the age of 35 unless he has had previous service. A man who has served in the navy may re-enlist after his 35th year.

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Q.—Will you please inform me through your query column the value of a five-dollar gold piece made in the year 1845? W. W. X.

A.—The coin you mention has no premium as yet and would therefore pass at its face value.

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Q.—I have been told that a premium is being offered for the silver dollar bearing date of the year 1895. Can you give me any information regarding the same? If premium is offered can you tell by whom? ANNA D.

A.—The silver dollar of 1895, if it has no mint mark, commands a premium of $2.00, otherwise none. I would suggest that you advertise it in the columns of the daily papers.

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Q. I would like your advice on a little social matter. Suppose Miss Smith receives a card from Miss Jones thus:

Miss Jones.

Cards
Nov. 20, 1904. 2 to 5.

How should Miss Smith accept or refuse the invitation, by sending her card? And if so, what should she write on the card? IGNORANCE.

A.—An invitation in the form given should be answered by a note in the third person, thus: "Miss Smith accepts with pleasure Miss Jones' hospitality for the twentieth."

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Q. I have received many good ideas from your column and enjoy reading it very much. Will you kindly answer for me the following question ——? Also, can anyone give me a good recipe for "Weinachts Stolen?"—A. S. B.

A. It has been impossible to obtain for you a recipe for "Weinachts Stolen." "Weinachts Schnitzel" has been found but I fear we will have to ask some of our German readers to supply formula for the first-named article. I learn that it is a Christmas cake, something on the order of the doughnut or cruller, but I can find no one who will vouch for a recipe. In case it is sent in, we will be pleased to give it publication. You had better try the advertising columns for your first question. The cent-a-word advertisements will probably bring just what you want.

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Q. Will you please advise me on the following matters?—BOBBY.

A. The letter you send is really too silly to publish. However, it seems to me some one should give you a little advice if you are in the habit of behaving as you state. It is hard for me to believe that any modest girl would be guilty of such conduct. Some girls of 17 do not show much sense, but you certainly seem to have less idea of what is proper than any girl I ever encountered. Do try to brace up a little and give your friends some reason to suppose you will eventually develop into a sensible, worthy woman.

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At Story-Telling Time.

The Two Wishing Stalks.

ONCE upon a time there lived a miser who had a brother, who, when dying, asked him to take care of his infant son. At first the miser would not consent, knowing that he would have to feed the child. But his brother plead so hard that at last he consented, and with that his brother died.

As the little boy grew up he found something out about the miser, which seemed very mysterious. Every day the miser would go into his room and stay for hours.

One day when the lad was 14 years old, the miser stayed longer than usual. He caught sight of a hole in the wall and looked through. What was his surprise when he saw the miser sitting on the floor counting gold. At last when the miser came out the lad said: "Why do you always go in there, uncle?" And the old man cried, "What's that to you." The next day the same thing happened, and the lad could keep it to himself no longer. So he said: "Uncle, I know what you do in there, you count your ——." "Shut up," screamed the old man. And before he gave time for the lad to say another word, he gave him a shove which made him fall down the steps.

The lad wandered on and on, and at last being tired he sat on a rock and cried till he cried himself to sleep. He had a dream. He dreamt that he saw a lady sitting beside him, she said: "In a field grow two stalks of wheat, take them. They may be of some help to you." As she finished speaking she vanished.

The next day as he was walking in a field he suddenly came upon the two stalks of wheat. He pulled them up and being very tired said: "I wish I had a little warm house with a little warm bed in it." Instantly the little house with the little warm bed appeared before him. What he had picked were wishing stalks.

PART II.

Five years had passed and he had everything he needed. He was now 19 years old.

One day he was walking in the forest, when it grew very dark. He felt himself sliding down something very narrow. At last his feet touched the ground, and he found himself in a brightly illuminated hall. Beside him hung a big brass bell. In front of him was an iron door, which he opened. Invisible hands dressed him in royal clothes.

As he was about to pass through the door a sign appeared before his eyes with these words:

You alone can set our princess free,
By giving your life as a fee.

When the young man saw the words he was astonished. But he was very sorry for the princess, and he shouted "I will set the princess free." At these words a far-off shout reached his ears.

When the shouting stopped, a bent-up old woman with red hair, red eyes, and tough, wrinkled skin, said: "To set the princess free you must hunt for the brass bell without the help of the wishing stalks. When you find it, you must take off the outside cover. You will then see a spring which you must pull with all your strength. When you have pulled it all the way out, the breath will leave your body, and you will fall down dead." As she finished speaking she vanished.

The young man at once got ready to do his work. While he was hunting for the bell, he felt a drowsiness come over him, when suddenly he saw the bell. He went over to it, but had hardly any strength to stand. He took the cover off very easily, and then he exerted all his strength to pull out the spring. The first and second time it did not move, but the third time it came off very sudden, and, at the same time he fell dead. Then the enchantment over the princess and her kingdom was broken. The whole palace shook; the ground overhead gave way, and the palace rose upward. The forest had disappeared, and over all reigned joy and gladness.

In the meanwhile the princess was bending over the young man wishing that he would come back to life. At these words the stalks melted and floated away in a mist. At last the prince awoke, and the princess said: "It was I who gave you the wishing stalks." Then she said: "My mother was a wicked fairy, and being angry with me transformed me into that ugly old woman, and said that I would remain that way until my future husband would be willing to die for me." A week from that day they were married and lived happily ever after.

MIRIAM LEVY, age 13, Monticello St., Pittsburgh.

Two Little Girls.

Oh! Arabella is so good,
It is a joy to see
How carefully she does her work
So prim and neat is she.
And when her morning task is done
We see her walking in the sun.

But Betsy is a different child
She's not the least bit good,
She sighs and groans at every stitch
And sometimes she is rude.
Her morning task is never done
Until the setting of the sun.

Castles in the Air.

ONCE, a very long time ago, a pretty little girl named Sylvia was blowing bubbles in her father's garden. As the airy balls floated in the breeze, they reflected the surrounding landscape and set it dancing in the sunlight. Sylvia clapped her hands with delight at such dazzling splendor, the pictures in the bubbles looked so much nicer jumping around than everything did standing still.

So every morning found Sylvia in the rose garden at her favorite occupation until one day she got angry, so angry that she threw the bowl of water on the marble pavement and broke it.

Then she became very much dissatisfied, and fretted. Her parents, who loved her very dearly, felt very sorry for her.

She asked her mother why the flowers and brooks and fountains did not float in the air, why she could not fly up in the sky and gather the stars to hang on her Christmas tree, why her father's beautiful castle could not rise in the air so that she could be happy.

Sylvia, being told by her mother that these things could not be, ran away to the woods and wept bitterly.

Fortunately for this little girl, Mabel, Queen of the Fairies, was passing and heard sobs, so looking around and seeing a fluffy golden head and hazy white dress, she stopped to inquire the cause.

Sylvia, beholding the fairy, was frightened, but being assured that nothing would harm her, she told the queen her trouble.

"What would you have?" asked the queen.

"I want the wind to carry me up in the sky, and I want everything else to go up too, and fly around forever."

"Are you sure this would make you perfectly happy?" asked the queen.

"O yes," said Sylvia, "I would soar away off and run races with the birds; I would tear all the clouds out of the sky so that the sun would shine forever and make everything sparkle with light."

"It shall be as you say," said Queen Mabel, and she waved her wand.

O what a sight! Sylvia went dancing through the air to the sky; roses and violets hung around her; parks and palaces passed her and the fountains spurted pretty dewdrops in her eyes. She saw the stars on her way too, but, oh! they were too big to carry, and the clouds, when she pushed them out of one place only looked thicker and heavier in another.

She grew tired, flying so fast, and she could not rest even a minute, for had she not told the queen she wanted to fly forever? If only she could only see her father and mother; she was hungry too. No sooner had she wished this than, behold there was her father's castle coming toward her and her mother calling her.

She put out her hands to go to them, but alas, they flew past with the swiftness of the tide.

Sylvia was in despair, so she began to weep.

Suddenly the queen appeared to inquire the cause. "O take me to my father and mother and let me be as I was," said Sylvia. "Arn't you perfectly happy?" said the queen.

"I am tired, so tired, and, mother, mother come to me; I want you," said Sylvia. Queen Mabel waved her wand.

Sylvia is again in her father's rose garden, telling her parents she will always love them and never again wish to leave them for "Castles in the Air."

ELEANOR FINLEY, 1415 Rebecca St., Allegheny.

To the Model Goblin.

A sedate young hob-goblin named Roy,
Set his heart upon being a boy;
He attends grammar school
And can figure by rule,
All of which gives parents much joy. —Ex.

Where English Women Get Their Rosy Cheeks.

To have happiness or the power to enjoy, you must have health, and that is the great secret. You will hardly find a man or woman in all the British Empire without a box of Beecham's Pills. They always have them on hand, so that whenever an adverse condition arises, a dose is taken in time, so that

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You would have rosy cheeks, too, if your liver was right, and can have them, too, if you will take Beecham's Pills. You seldom see rosy cheeks on a dyspeptic or on a person troubled with biliousness, sick headaches or constipation. You can eat well, sleep well, and be as well and healthy as others, if you will do as they do—

They Take

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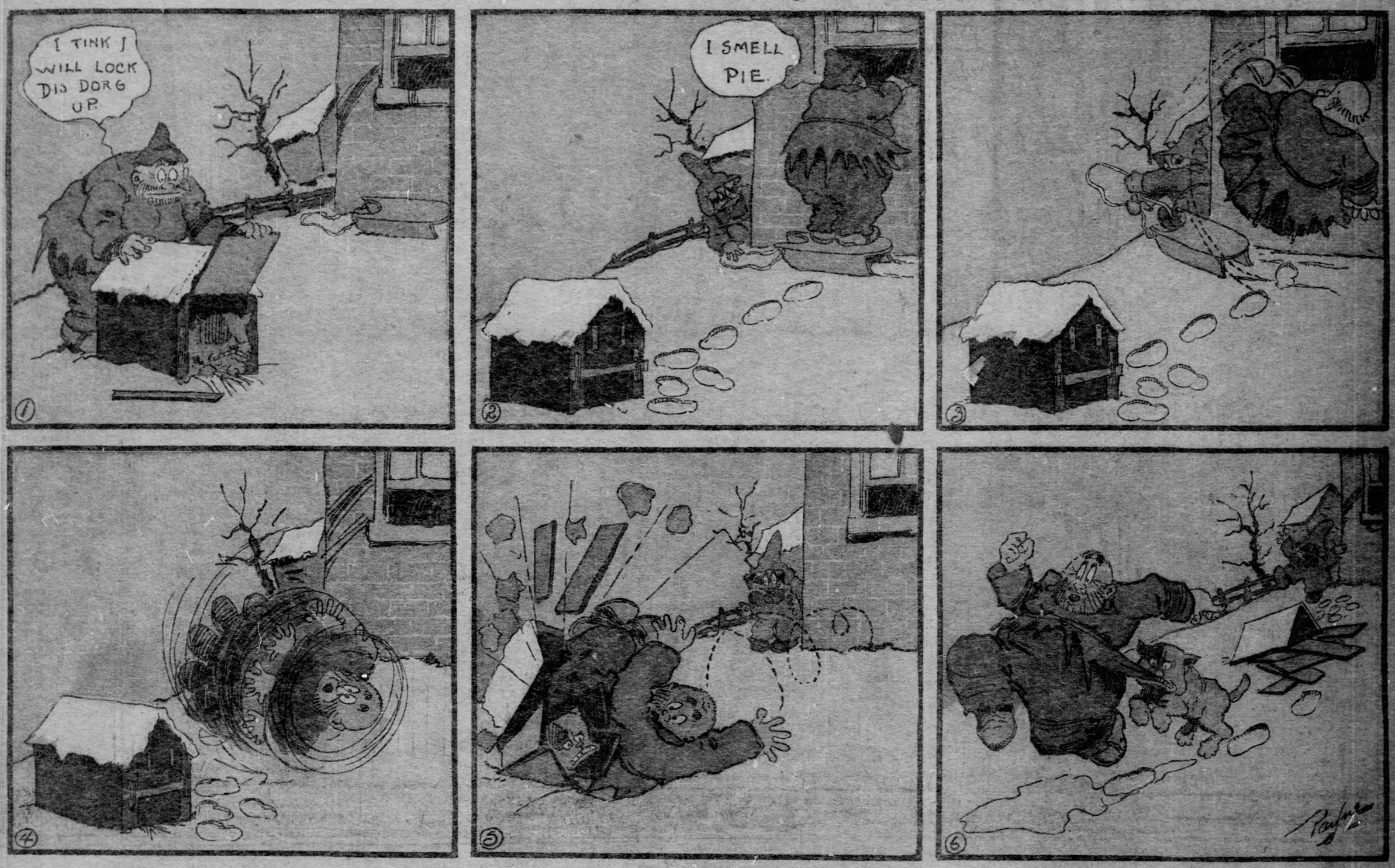

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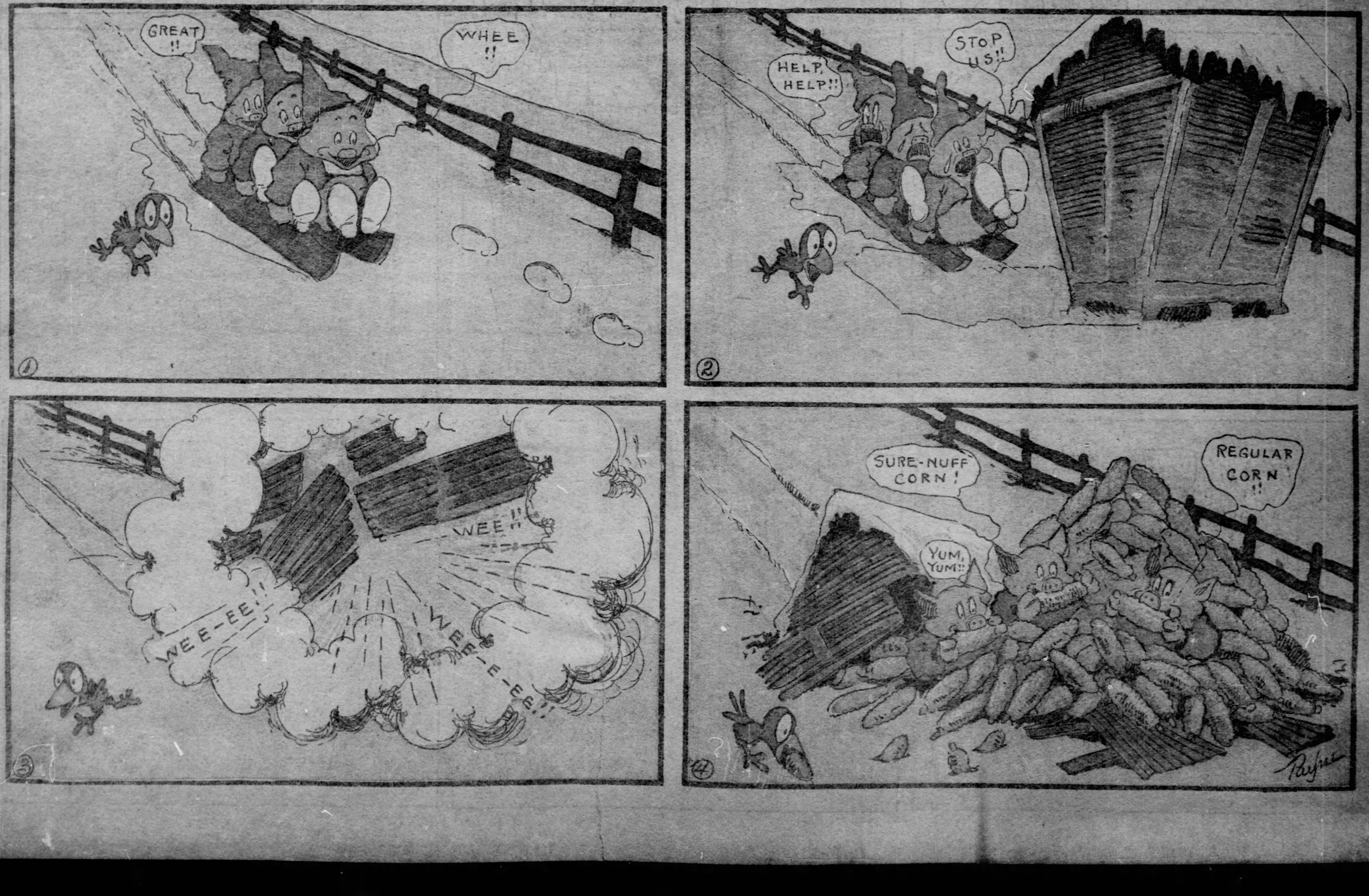

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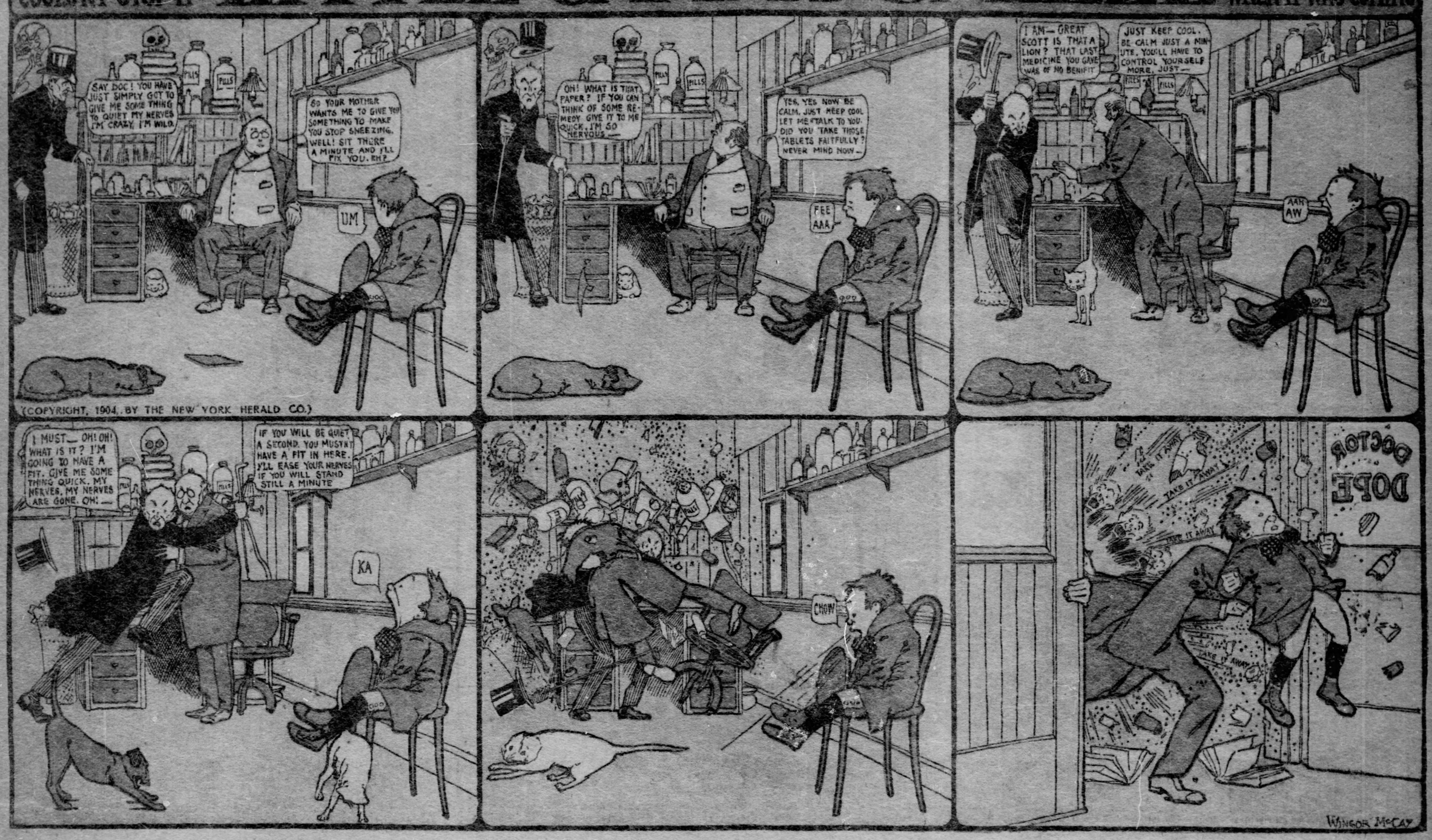

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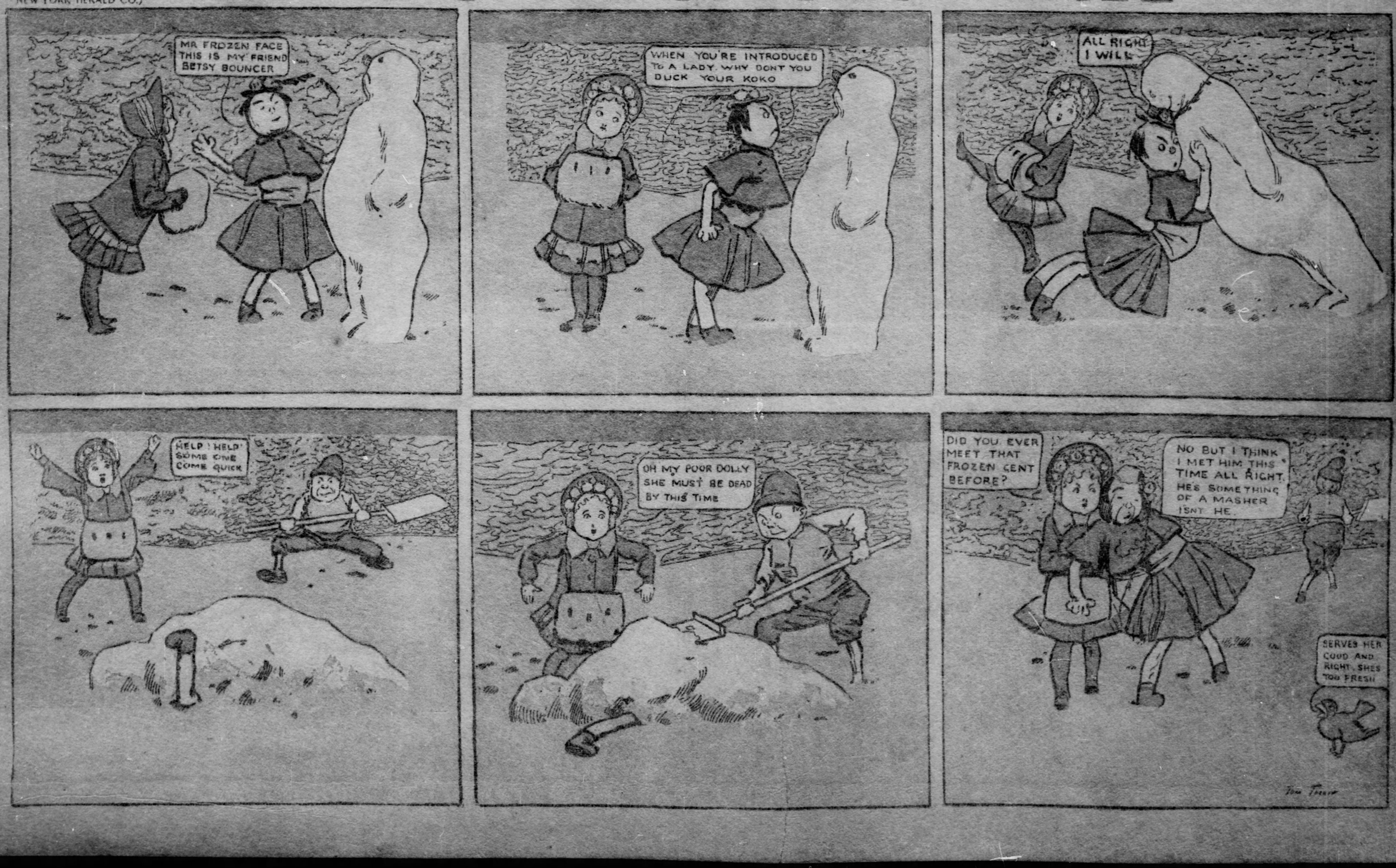

Foxy Grandpa & Our Old Friend Mr. Jack

FOXY GRANDPA

THE BOYS GIVE HIM A SURPRISE, BUT GET A BIGGER ONE IN RETURN

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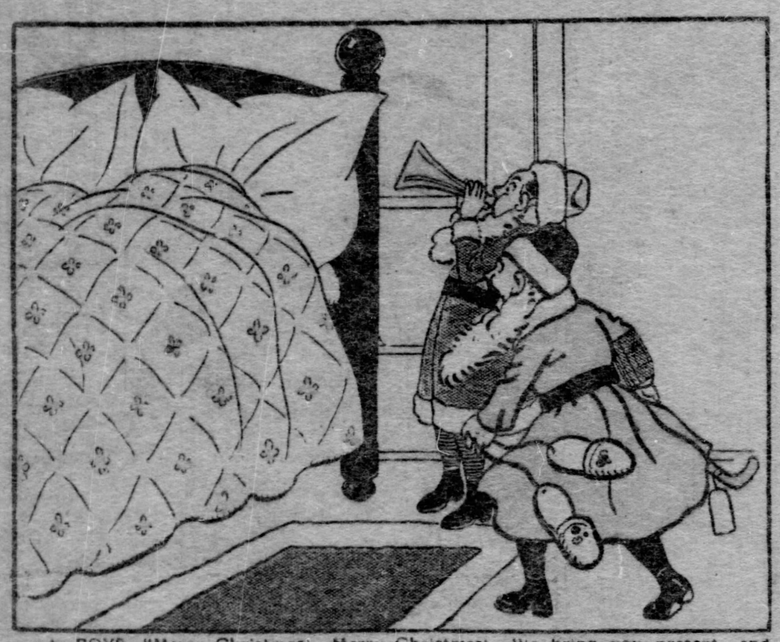
1 BOYS: "We will give Gran'pa a double surprise this time."

2. GRANDPA: "Well, the boys are trying to get ahead of me again. I'll put on my togs and see if I can't turn the joke on them."

3 GRANDPA: "Ah, here they come. Under the covers for me!"



4 BOYS "Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! We bring you presents and good cheer."

5 GRANDPA: "Why, hello! Yes, a very merry Christmas to you both."

6. GRANDPA: "This is the time we have come out even. Here is your Christmas bag, boys."

OUR OLD FRIEND MR. JACK AND A BUNCH OF MISTLETOE

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The Pranks and Resolutions of Buster Brown

London 1904

Dear Mary Jane

I am still in London and still making mistakes. I cant understand that what children do is called mischief while the same thing in a grown person would only be quiet well-say, diriity. If one of pa's friends had put batteries to his bath tub. they would have both laughed, but because I did it I got walloped. Oh, very well. Things are quite gay here in London Pa and ma are going out nearly every evening. Tige and I stay home and read Fairy Stories. Tige dont believe they are true - But they are just as true as some of the things that grown people believe and the fairies are just as real as lots of the old fairies in Society. Write to me Jane and tell me some new ideas for mischief. (since it must go by that name) I want to do something that will just startle the natives before I leave here English people are lonely I think.

Yours Buster Brown.

BUSTER BROWN PREPARES HIS PAPA'S BATH

TIGE I THINK AN ELECTRIC BATH WOULD BE GOOD FOR PA

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BUSTER GO IN THE BATH ROOM AND FIX ME A NICE BATH

THE VERY THING I WANTED TO DO

NOW THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME TROUBLE AGAIN

1

AN ELECTRIC BATH FOR DEAR PAPA

2

OH TIGE ISNT THIS FUN

3

GET TOGETHER PA

4

5

6

PA LETS APPOINT AN ARBITRATION COMMITTEE

AND WITH THE ANGELS STAND.

RESOLVED!

THAT CLEANLINESS IS NEXT TO GODLINESS BECAUSE GODLINESS WILL MAKE YOU HAPPIER THAN ANYTHING ELSE AND A BATH COMES NEXT. BUT POOR DEAR PAPA IS AN EXCEPTION TO THE RULE. .I SUPPOSE HIS BATH WAS TOO HOT - IT MADE HIM HOT TOO. BUT DEAR ME, WHAT A MISTAKE IT IS TO LOSE YOUR TEMPER, IT ONLY DOES YOU HARM AND DOES N'T DO ANY ONE ANY GOOD. IT POISONS YOUR SYSTEM AND MAKES YOU ILL. I WOULD N'T TAKE A HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NOT HAVE SEEN PA GET THAT SHOCK - I LAUGHED TILL I PERSPIRED GEE. IS N'T IT FUN TO LAUGH

BUSTER BROWN

GEE HE GOT A SPANKING THAT TIME

R. F. Outcault